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His Adventure

made the *Eighteenth* Day of *October*.

of the other Part, ~~WITNESSETH~~ That the said *Jane Stuartburgh* and *Philip Van Cortlandt*, Commissioners are aforesaid, by Virtue of the Power and Authority to them in and by the said A.O. granted, and for them in Confirmation of the Sum of *two hundred and eighty eight shillings seven pence* being the full value of the said *Warrant* and *Receipt* now in Hand paid by the said *Edward Van Cortlandt* and *Andreas Wagner* the Receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, *EDWARD* *BURGESS*, *Scriba*,

Entered and Confirmed, and by their Petition, E.D. Grant, Benjamin, Sell, Endeavor and Confess into the said *United Van Portland, and Providence Society*, and to *Shew*. Here and Allegs, **31** That whereas, *James L. East and Associates, Agents* going and coming in the *Ship of Scotland* County of *Westchester* and State of *New York* Brought, Vertue by *Sons of James River* Brought by the *County of Charlotte* River, Vertue by *Sons of Charlotte* River, and Vertue by *Sons of James River* and Vertue by *Sons of James River* Brought by *Charlotte*, Van Buren and *Shady* does more or less *Proposed to the People of this State by the Convention of John Weeks*.

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Sealed and Delivered }  
in the Presence of us }

Dear Elizabeth Ann

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The it Elmhorsh. That on the twenty first Day of February On Thynsd Seven Hundred and Ninetythree  
 primarily came and appeared before me John one of the Justices in Chancery for the Part of New York  
 the above-named John. Southburgh and Philip Van Clief, Esquires, and each of them respectively acknowledged that he  
 had received the above Indenture by selling and delivering certain of his voluntary All and Dool, for the Use and Purpoe  
 therein mentioned, and likewise covenanted to find Indentures and Bonds as material Excuers or Indemnities therein

Thos. Gray

Barre, Houtenburg

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## TYPICAL CONVEYANCE FROM THE COMMISSIONERS OF FORFEITURES

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## PREFACE

THE disposition of loyalist estates in relation to the redistribution of wealth during and after the American Revolution forms an important chapter in the social annals of the period. Historians who have stressed the leveling force of the American Revolution have pointed to the equalizing and democratizing influence effected by the sale of the loyalist estates.<sup>1</sup> Undoubtedly the confiscation and disposal of the vast holdings of the aristocratic Tory landlords brought about a greater mobility in landholding and created conditions conducive to the advance of an agricultural democracy. It is the writer's contention, however, that this democratizing influence was decidedly more moderate than has generally been supposed.

While the literature on the loyalists is abundant and steadily increasing, the study of the disposition of their estates has been neglected. Dr. Flick barely touched on this subject in his admirable monograph on *Loyalism in New York During the American Revolution*, published in 1901; and no one has attempted to analyze it since that date. The general project of the writer's research comprises an analysis of the situation in the entire State. But so voluminous, involved, and scattered are the sources bearing on this subject that the writer has restricted himself for the present to the Southern District, comprising the Counties of New York, Kings, Queens, Suffolk, Richmond, and Westchester, where the most valuable Tory lands were located.

<sup>1</sup> A. C. Flick, *Loyalism in New York During the American Revolution* (N. Y., 1901), p. 159; C. H. Van Tyne, *The Loyalists in the American Revolution* (N. Y., 1902), p. 280; J. F. Jameson, *The American Revolution Considered As a Social Movement* (Princeton, 1926), p. 62; A. Nevins, *The American States During and After the Revolution* (N. Y., 1924), p. 443; E. W. Spaulding, *New York in the Critical Period, 1783-1789* (N. Y., 1932), p. 70; *History of the State of New York* (A. C. Flick, ed.), 4: 178, 338. T. E. Cochran, in a cursory treatment of the land question, minimizes the democratizing influence of the sale of the Tory estates (*New York in the Confederation: An Economic Study*, Phila., 1931, p. 64).

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## CHAPTER I

### SETTING UP MACHINERY FOR CONFISCATION

THE programme for the confiscation of loyalist estates went hand in hand with the movement for American independence, becoming more radical as the war progressed and as the conviction grew that a separate government would be the result of the contest then going on. Fratricidal strife often serving as a mere pretext for plunder, robbery, and destruction, the need for protection from the excesses of evil-doers was the first thought of the Revolutionary authorities. Steps were taken to prohibit unauthorized persons from establishing themselves on the estates of loyalists. Thus, when Henry Lloyd joined the British, leaving his estate in Queens County open to depredation, the Committee of Safety ordered "an exact inventory and appraisement" of his property, and authorized his nephew, John Lloyd junior, "to remain in possession of the estate . . . to improve the same to the best advantage, and to render an account thereof to this or some future Congress when called upon."<sup>1</sup> When the Committee of Salem, in Westchester County, made an inventory of the estates of sundry persons who had gone over to the enemy, the Committee of Safety expressed its approval "of the prudent measures" it had taken "to ascertain and secure from waste and embezzlement the property of the disaffected who had joined the enemy."<sup>2</sup>

It is not unlikely that in these efforts to prevent the destruction and appropriation of loyalist property the Revolutionary authorities considered that an accounting with the loyalists might be necessary in the event that the Revolution failed. On the other hand, such action may have been, as Van Tyne so

<sup>1</sup> *Journals of the Provincial Congress, Provincial Convention, Committee of Safety and Council of Safety of the State of New York*, 1: 428-29, 458.

<sup>2</sup> Peter Force, ed., *American Archives*, 5th series, 3: 364.

aptly puts it, "rather an interested benevolence than a shining example of revolutionary altruism."<sup>3</sup>

That the Whigs early had a covetous eye upon the Tory property is unquestionable. As early as September 1, 1775 the Provincial Congress had resolved that persons found guilty "of having furnished the ministerial army or navy . . . with provisions or other necessities" were to be disarmed and were to forfeit double the value of such goods "to be applied to the public exigencies of this Colony." Those who were "discovered to be enlisted or in arms against the liberties of America" were to be kept in safe custody; and the local committees were directed "to appoint some discreet person" to take charge of their estates, "to render on oath a just and true account thereof to this or some future Congress, or to commissioners by them to be appointed," and to "pay the issues and profits thereof to the Treasurer appointed by this Congress for the use of the associated Colonies."<sup>4</sup> Local committees,<sup>5</sup> the Committee and the First Commission for Detecting and Defeating Conspiracies,<sup>6</sup> and others<sup>7</sup> were authorized to seize the estates of persons who had gone over to the enemy and, where the exigencies of the case demanded it, to sell their personal property. So numerous did such seizures become that uniform legislation was deemed necessary. Whereupon, on December 3, 1776, a committee was appointed "to devise an ordinance for securing all estates and effects" of absconded Tories;<sup>8</sup> and on March 6, 1777 resolutions of the Provincial Convention provided for the appointment of Commissioners of Sequestration in seven counties.<sup>9</sup>

<sup>3</sup> C. H. Van Tyne, *op. cit.*, p. 275.

<sup>4</sup> *Jour. N. Y. Prov. Cong.*, 1: 131-32.

<sup>5</sup> *Ibid.*, 1: 769, 821.

<sup>6</sup> *Ibid.*, 1: 760; *Minutes of the Committee and of the First Commission for Detecting and Defeating Conspiracies in the State of New York*, 1: 161, 176.

<sup>7</sup> *Jour. N. Y. Prov. Cong.*, 1: 721, 804, 811.

<sup>8</sup> *Ibid.*, 1: 730, 755; Force, *Archives*, 5th series, 3: 347.

<sup>9</sup> *Jour. N. Y. Prov. Cong.*, 1: 826. Commissioners were appointed for the

These Commissioners were authorized to take into their custody the personal property of persons who had joined the British and sell the same at public auction after ten days' notice. The accounts and proceeds of the sales, "together with such monies as they shall find belonging to the persons aforesaid," were to be deposited in the treasury, "to be hereafter paid to the respective owners thereof, or otherwise disposed of at the discretion of the Legislature of this State." The families of loyalists whose estates were sequestered could retain their apparel, necessary household furniture, and provisions sufficient for three months. The Commissioners could apply to the local authorities for aid against persons refusing to surrender property subject to sequestration.<sup>10</sup> They were directed to lease, at moderate rent, the lands and tenements of all persons who had joined the enemy, first option being given to those patriots who had been driven from their homes by the Tories.<sup>11</sup> They were empowered "to enter into any houses and places wherein they shall have reason to suspect any goods, chattels or effects of persons gone over to or with the enemy, to be concealed, and to break open any building or dig up any soil for the purpose of seizing and possessing themselves of such goods, chattels and effects."<sup>12</sup> To facilitate the discovery of property subject to sequestration, the Council of Safety authorized the Commissioners to imprison any person who refused to be examined on oath as a witness.<sup>13</sup>

No Commissioners were designated for the Counties of New York, Kings, Queens, Richmond, and Suffolk. These were loyalist strongholds, controlled by the British for seven years

Counties of Albany, Dutchess, Westchester, Ulster, Orange, Tryon, and Cumberland. Those for Charlotte and Gloucester were chosen on April 2, 1777 and on May 2, 1777 (*ibid.*, 1: 861, 907).

<sup>10</sup> *Ibid.*, 1: 845.

<sup>11</sup> *Ibid.*, 1: 930-31.

<sup>12</sup> *Ibid.*, 1: 1092.

<sup>13</sup> *Ibid.*, 1: 1056.

from September, 1776. Westchester, then, was the only county in the Southern District where the office of the Commissioners of Sequestration functioned.<sup>14</sup> Here the Commissioners were so ruthless in the fulfillment of their trust that they aroused the censure of the authorities. The Council of Safety commended their "zeal in securing the effects of those traitors to their country, who have gone over to the enemy," but at the same time informed them that their power did not extend beyond the boundaries of their county and that "the reason why the Convention appointed commissioners in each county was, that the gentlemen being personally acquainted therein would be less subject to imposition from false reports and groundless suggestions."<sup>15</sup> Major-General Putnam complained that the Commissioners had taken from the families of absconded Tories "all the grain and the grass, where there was plenty of both, and large families of small children to be subsisted." He could not see "the propriety of starving the innocent families" of those who had joined the British.<sup>16</sup> Stirred by this appeal, the Council again wrote the Commissioners expressing regret "that many families have been stripped of almost everything, even of a little pasture and hay for a cow, and in some instances not left a cow itself, by which means they are reduced to almost a starving condition." While the Council flattered itself that the Commissioners had done their duty well, it felt that in some cases they had "drawn the cord too strait" and expressed the wish that they "might rather err on the

<sup>14</sup> The sources indicating the work of the Commissioners of Sequestration in Westchester County are fragmentary. Since the Capitol fire in 1911, only a few papers remain of the two volumes of *Manuscripts of the Colony and State of New York in the Revolutionary War* (Vols. 41 and 42) bearing on this subject. Isolated financial statements can be gleaned from the *New York State Treasurer's Journal, 1775-84* (2 vols.), *New York State Treasurer's Accounts, 1775-97* (box 1), and *Ledger A—Auditor's Office—June, 1775 to September, 1793*.

<sup>15</sup> *Jour. N. Y. Prov. Cong.*, 1: 968.

<sup>16</sup> *Ibid.*, 1: 1030-31.



other hand.”<sup>17</sup> In fact, the abuses of the Commissioners were in some cases so flagrant that both houses of the Legislature, by concurrent resolutions passed in 1779, appointed committees to enquire into their conduct,<sup>18</sup> for the purpose of devising a proper mode of relief for persons who had sustained damages “by reason of such of the proceedings of the said commissioners as may not have been strictly conformable to law.”<sup>19</sup> So thoroughly had the Commissioners of Sequestration done their work during the seven years of their existence that by 1784, when their office was abolished,<sup>20</sup> comparatively little confiscated personal property remained unsold.<sup>21</sup>

As the war progressed, the Revolutionary authorities proceeded boldly from the sequestration of the loyalist estates to actual confiscation. By an act of attainder, passed October 22, 1779, the estates of those adhering to the enemy were declared forfeited to the State. Fifty-nine persons, practically all of whom belonged to the most influential element in provincial New York, were declared to be “*ipso facto* convicted and attainted” of the offence of adhering to the enemy; and their estates were forfeited. They were “forever banished from the State,” and those found in any part thereof were to be “adjudged and declared guilty of felony” and were to suffer death “without benefit of clergy.”<sup>22</sup>

<sup>17</sup> *Ibid.*, I: 1031.

<sup>18</sup> *Assembly Journal*, Sept. 7, 1779.

<sup>19</sup> *Laws*, 3d sess., ch. 23 (Oct. 21, 1779).

<sup>20</sup> *Ibid.*, 7th sess., ch. 64 (May 12, 1784).

<sup>21</sup> Flick, *op. cit.*, p. 145.

<sup>22</sup> *Laws*, 3d sess., ch. 25. The following were named in the act: John Murray, earl of Dunmore, formerly governor of the colony; William Tryon, esquire, late governor of the colony; John Watts, Oliver DeLancey, Hugh Wallace, Henry White, John Harris Cruger, William Axtell, and Roger Morris, late members of the council of the colony; George Duncan Ludlow and Thomas Jones, late justices of the supreme court of the colony; John Tabor Kempe, late attorney-general of the colony; William Bayard, Robert Bayard, and James DeLancey, “esquires” of New York City; David Matthews, late mayor of New York City; James Jauncey, George Folliot,

In the case of loyalists other than those particularly named in the act, machinery was instituted for their conviction.<sup>23</sup> Indictments were to be brought in against loyalists, dead or alive, by the grand jurors at any session of the Supreme Court of Judicature or any county court of oyer and terminer and general gaol delivery or general or quarter sessions of the peace. In all indictments it was deemed sufficient to charge generally that the persons therein charged "did on the several days and at the several places therein mentioned adhere to the enemies of this State." The oath of one credible witness was sufficient. Thus, Henry Swartwout, in his deposition before the grand jury of Albany County, June 7, 1781, testified that at various times he saw thirty-eight named persons of Kings County who "were severally adherent to the King of Great Britain, his fleets and armies then at open war with the State of New York

Thomas White, William McAdam, Isaac Low, Miles Sherbrooke, Alexander Wallace, and John Weatherhead, merchants of New York City; Charles Inglis and Margaret, his wife; Sir John Johnson, knight and baronet of Tryon County; Guy Johnson, Daniel Claus, and John Butler, "esquires" of Tryon County; John Joost Herkimer, yeoman of Tryon County; Frederick Philipse and James DeLancey, "esquires" of Westchester County; Frederick Philipse junior, "gentleman" of Westchester County; David Colden, Daniel Kissam the elder, and Gabriel Ludlow, "esquires" of Queens County; Philip Skeene, "esquire" of Charlotte County; Andrew P. Skeene, son of Philip Skeene; Benjamin Seaman and Christopher Billopp, "esquires" of Richmond County; Beverly Robinson, Beverly Robinson junior, and Malcom Morrison, "esquires" of Dutchess County; John Kane, "gentleman" of Dutchess County; Abraham C. Cuyler, "esquire" of Albany County; Robert Leake, Edward Jessup, and Ebenezer Jessup, "gentlemen" of Albany County; Peter Dubois and Thomas H. Barclay, "esquires" of Ulster County; Susannah Robinson, wife of Beverly Robinson, and Mary Morris, wife of Roger Morris; John Rapalje, "esquire" of Kings County; George Muirson, Richard Floyd, and Parker Wickham, "esquires" of Suffolk County; Henry Lloyd the elder, late of the State of Massachusetts Bay, merchant; and Sir Henry Clinton, knight.

<sup>23</sup> For a list of loyalists who were convicted in pursuance of this act of October 22, 1779, consult "New York State—Loyalists. List of Loyalists against whom Judgments were given under the Confiscation Act, 1783," *Emmett, New York Colony and State* (Ms. Division, New York Public Library).

and the other United States of America.”<sup>24</sup> Marcus Christian testified before the grand jury at a court of oyer and terminer and general gaol delivery in Westchester County that Thomas Fowler “frequently drove out and took cattle and pork to the market in the City of New York, then garrisoned by and in possession of the Troops of the King of Great Britain.” When Christian noticed two of his own beasts being driven off by Fowler and protested, he was told to “go and whistle for his cattle.” In addition, Fowler had Christian imprisoned for nine days, told the British that he “was a Rebbel,” and threatened “that he should be hanged as a spy.” Eden Hunt testified that when he was taken prisoner by a party of armed Tories he “knew Isaac Corsa . . . to be one with the Party,” and that Corsa frequently called him a “Damn’d Rebel” who “ought to be hanged.”<sup>25</sup>

When bills of indictment were preferred, the sheriffs of the counties where such indictments were taken were to publish notices thereof in one or more of the newspapers within the State for at least four weeks. Those who appeared to traverse the indictment were to be given a jury trial. Defendants, upon application, were entitled to copies of the indictments preferred against them, together with copies of the examinations or depositions of the witnesses upon whose testimony the indictments were found. At the trial the prosecutor for the State was not permitted to give evidence of any overt acts other than those charged in such examinations or depositions. Those neglecting to appear and defend themselves were adjudged guilty. Indictments brought in at any court of oyer and terminer and general gaol delivery or general or quarter sessions of the peace were to be returned by the clerks of the said courts into the Supreme Court of Judicature. Many failed to appear to

<sup>24</sup> *Misc. Loyalist Papers* (N. Y. P. L.).

<sup>25</sup> *New York-Westchester County, Court of Oyer and Terminer. Depositions and indictments against various residents . . . who have adhered to the enemies of the State.—Misc. MS. Materials, New York State Counties and Towns* (N. Y. P. L.).

plead or traverse the indictments; and the Supreme Court was kept busy ordering, on motion of the Attorney General on behalf of the State, that judgments be entered against the defendants.<sup>26</sup>

Having effected the proscription of the loyalists, the Legislature proceeded to set up machinery for the disposal of their forfeited estates. Action was taken to prevent persons inimical to the American cause from transferring the title to their property with a view to escape forfeiture and defraud the State. All conveyances executed by attainted or convicted persons after July 9, 1776, the day of the declaration of the independence of the State, were "presumed to be fraudulent and to have been made with intent to prevent a forfeiture." The Governor was authorized to appoint Commissioners of Forfeitures to dispose of the confiscated estates. After giving eight weeks' notice in one or more of the newspapers in the State, they were to sell the property "at public vendue to the highest bidder," in parcels generally not to exceed five hundred acres. In the interest of those tenants who had "at considerable expence made or purchased the improvements" on the lands in their possession and who had "constantly, uniformly and zealously . . . endeavored to defend and maintain the freedom and independence of the United States," the Commissioners were to offer them preemption of their lands at an appraised price. Until the fee simple of such lands was sold, the tenants were to continue in possession at their former rents. Three appraisers, one chosen by the Commissioners, another by the tenant claiming the benefit intended by this clause, and the third by the other two appraisers, were to evaluate the property "exclusive of the improvements thereon." When the tenant had paid into the treasury the sum at which the lands were appraised, "within three months after the making of such appraisement," together with all arrearages of rent due

*26 Minute Book of the Supreme Court of Judicature, July 31, 1781 to Nov. 1, 1783.*



thereon, the Commissioners of Forfeitures were to convey the appraised land to such tenant "in like manner as if such lands had been sold at public vendue, and such tenant had appeared and been the highest bidder for the same." Tenants availing themselves of this benefit of preemption of purchase were obliged to produce a certificate, "to be subscribed by at least twelve reputable inhabitants of the county, of known and undoubted attachment to the American cause," testifying that they had "constantly and uniformly" demeaned themselves as friends to the freedom and independence of the United States, and had, as far as circumstances would admit, taken "an active and decided part to maintain and promote the same."<sup>27</sup>

The insecurity of titles under the unstable conditions of the war years and the presence of the British troops in the Southern District, where the most valuable Tory lands were located,

<sup>27</sup> *Laws*, 3d sess., ch. 25 (Oct. 22, 1779). A law enacted Oct. 7, 1780 provided that those purchasing from tenants the improvements on farms forfeited to the State were not to be entitled to the benefit of a purchase by appraisement, unless they produced certificates testifying that the assignors had been of undoubted attachment to the American cause (*ibid.*, 4th sess., ch. 13). By an act of Nov. 22, 1781, tenants entitled to a right of preemption who had procured certificates of loyalty before the expiration of the time limited by the act of Oct. 22, 1779 but who had neglected to present them to the Commissioners were given until Apr. 1, 1782 to do so (*ibid.*, 5th sess., ch. 15). Later, the time limit was extended to Jan. 1, 1783, except in cases where the lands had already been sold by the Commissioners (*ibid.*, 5th sess., ch. 45, Apr. 14, 1782). An act of March 31, 1781 provided that tenants wishing to avail themselves of the benefit of preemption of purchase of the farms in their possession were to apply within four months, or within four months after the attainder of their landlords if such attainder occurred after the passing of this act. Tenants neglecting within eight months after appraisement to pay the sum at which their lands had been appraised were to forfeit one-fourth part of this sum, to be recovered by the Commissioners in an action of debt (*ibid.*, 4th sess., ch. 51). By a subsequent measure, tenants who failed to produce the requisite certificates of loyalty were given the benefit of preemption if they applied within four months and made their payments "in gold or silver only." Mortgages were to be given to the Commissioners of Forfeitures for securing the payment of the residue of the purchase money; and in case of default in payment, the mortgages were to be foreclosed (*ibid.*, 8th sess., ch. 49, Mar. 31, 1785).

discouraged prospective buyers and prevented the State from profiting immediately from its ambitious confiscatory programme. Fearful lest property might have to be sold much below its normal value, the Legislature forbade the Commissioners to sell any lands "which at the time of the sale thereof shall be within the power of the enemy."<sup>28</sup> Although sales were begun in 1780<sup>29</sup> and laws regulating them were passed at frequent intervals,<sup>30</sup> the richest fruits of the confiscatory programme were not reaped until the war was over.

28 *Ibid.*, 3d sess., ch. 25 (Oct. 22, 1779). By an act of April 14, 1782, no forfeited estate in the Southern District was to be sold "until the further order of the legislature." Exception was made in the case of the three persons to whom the Legislature had directed lands to be conveyed as a reward for apprehending the British Deputy Adjutant General, Major André (*ibid.*, 5th sess., ch. 45).

29 By the act of October 22, 1779, sales were not to be made until October 1, 1780. Seeking funds to equip the troops with clothing and other necessities, the Legislature, on March 10, 1780, repealed this proviso and authorized the immediate sale of part of the forfeited estates (*ibid.*, 3d sess., ch. 51).

30 On June 15, 1780 the estates forfeited by Sir John Johnson, John Butler, Philip Skeene, Andrew Skeene, Frederick Philipse, Frederick Philipse junior, William Bayard, James DeLancey, and Oliver DeLancey were reserved as security for the redemption of the Congressional bills of credit emitted in pursuance of an act of March 18, 1780; and the Commissioners were forbidden to sell any of the mortgaged lands until further orders from the Legislature (*ibid.*, 3d sess., ch. 64). By the act of October 4, 1780, certificates issued to the troops of the State in the service of the United States, in liquidating their claims for pay by reason of the depreciation of the currency, were made receivable in payment upon purchases of confiscated lands at the same rate with specie. When persons possessed of such certificates applied to the Commissioners for the purchase of any estate and deposited a sum in such certificates or in gold or silver equal to what the Commissioners deemed to be one-third of the value of such estate, the latter were to have the property appraised. Upon paying in full the sum at which the property was appraised, the holders of these certificates were to receive the property "in like manner as if such estate had been sold at public vendue." If the lands applied for were held by tenants, the latter were to be given the preemption of purchase to which they were entitled; but in the event they failed to avail themselves of this benefit, their holdings could then be sold to those who had applied for the purchase of the same (*ibid.*, 4th sess., ch. 7). Many speculators, who had come into possession of these certificates, took advantage of this act and located on and purchased many forfeited estates. By an act of October 7,



The Treaty of Peace of 1783 stipulated that the American Congress should "earnestly recommend" that the several states restore the property and civil privileges of "real British subjects" and of all Tories who had not borne arms against the states. Combatant loyalists were to have one year in which to return to the states and retrieve their forfeited estates. In those cases where such estates had already been sold by the Revolutionaries, the loyalist owners could recover possession on refunding to the purchasers the bona fide price paid by them. It was further agreed that there were to be no further confiscations of property and that loyalists were to be subjected to no more penalties.<sup>31</sup> But the bitterness towards the Tories was intense, and these recommendations of the Treaty were greeted with a storm of popular indignation. In New York, as elsewhere, moderate Whigs were in favor of heeding the recommendations of Congress and acting in accordance with the spirit of the treaty; but the more vindictive and grasping legislators, reflecting the popular sentiment, secured the enactment of fresh confiscatory measures in utter disregard of Congress.<sup>32</sup> The

1780, the Legislature authorized the Governor to appoint commissioners to procure a sum in specie for the redemption of one-sixth of the bills emitted under the act of Congress of March 18, 1780. They were empowered to sell, for gold, silver, or the Congressional bills of credit only, the lands which had been mortgaged and bound for the security and redemption of the said bills by the act of June 15, 1780. They could sell or mortgage any other forfeited lands to the amount of the interest annually arising on these bills. It was further provided that when the commissioners of specie began to act the Commissioners of Forfeitures were to cease selling any lands except those already advertized for sale. The monies which they received were to be appropriated for the sole purpose of redeeming the Congressional bills of credit. These commissioners were to exercise their duties until twenty days after the first meeting of the Legislature in July, 1781 (*ibid.*, 4th sess., ch. 11). They became a sort of connecting link between the Commissioners of Sequestration and the Commissioners of Forfeitures (*New York in the Revolution as Colony and State*, 2: 259).

31 These provisions were embodied in Articles V and VI of the Treaty; see *Journals of the Continental Congress* (Library of Congress edition), 24: 248, 370; 27: 621.

32 *Ibid.*, 31: 785, 855-62. For extracts of the *Senate Journal* showing the

ink was scarcely dry on the treaty when the New York Legislature directed Isaac Stoutenburgh, one of the Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Southern District, to sell "for gold or silver only" Tory property in New York City or in Kings County to the value of £20,000, excepting those estates which had been mortgaged by virtue of the act of June 15, 1780.<sup>33</sup> Over the veto of the conservative Council of Revision,<sup>34</sup> the Legislature enacted a comprehensive measure, May 12, 1784, authorizing the speedy sale of the confiscated estates.<sup>35</sup>

It was this act which systematized the confiscatory machinery and gave it impetus. The Governor was directed to appoint seven Commissioners of Forfeitures, two for the Southern District, comprising the Counties of New York, Kings, Queens, Richmond, Suffolk, and Westchester; one for the Middle District, embracing Dutchess, Orange, and Ulster Counties; three for the Western District, containing Albany and Tryon Counties; and one for the Eastern District, including the Counties of Charlotte, Cumberland, and Gloucester. These Commissioners were to sell the forfeited estates within their respective districts, and the deeds executed by them were "to operate as a warrantee" to the purchasers and their heirs and assigns "against all claims, titles and incumbrances whatsoever." They were to sell the property at auction or at private sale, whichever method they deemed most beneficial to the State. Sales at auction were to be made in the counties where the lands were located, and six weeks' notice of such sales was to be given in two or more newspapers. If the bids did not approxi-

way in which the New York Legislature nullified and violated the spirit and provisions of the Treaty of Peace of 1783, consult Thomas Jones, *History of New York During the Revolutionary War*, 2: 492-97, 500-4. Though Jones's intense partisanship on the loyalist side is evident throughout, the work is informing. E. F. DeLancey's notes are particularly valuable.

<sup>33</sup> *Laws*, 7th sess., ch. 20 (Apr. 6, 1784).

<sup>34</sup> *Senate Journal*, May 12, 1784; A. B. Street, *The Council of Revision of the State of New York and its Vetoes*, p. 256.

<sup>35</sup> *Laws*, 7th sess., ch. 64.

mate the price estimated by the Commissioners to be the true value of the property, the sale was to be adjourned to a future day; and if then the proper bid was not offered, the Commissioners were empowered to dispose of the same by private contract and sale.

Mortgages on forfeited estates executed prior to July 9, 1776 to persons who had not been attainted or convicted were to be considered valid, but those issued after that date were to be investigated by the Chancellor. Mortgages executed by one attainted person to another were declared null and void. Claims to confiscated property by reason of purchases contracted prior to July 9, 1776 and not consummated were also to be investigated. If such claims were substantiated and only a part of the purchase money had been paid by the claimants, the sums due were to be paid to the Commissioners. The latter were to take action against persons in unlawful possession of forfeited estates and to recover the costs of such proceedings before any justice of the peace. They were authorized to commence and prosecute suits for the discovery and collection of rents due from tenants on forfeited estates.<sup>36</sup> Suits instituted against purchasers of confiscated property by persons claiming under titles opposed to those derived from the Commissioners were to be defended by the Attorney General at the expense of the State.

Besides gold and silver, bills of credit and State certificates of various denominations were to be accepted in payment of forfeited estates. Purchasers were to pay one-third of the price on the date of sale, and the remainder by June 1, 1785.<sup>37</sup>

<sup>36</sup> By a subsequent act, rents due from tenants on estates forfeited in the Southern District were to be remitted upon satisfactory proof, given before August 1, 1786, that such rents had been paid to the attainted or convicted landlord during the time the Southern District was occupied by the British troops (*ibid.*, 9th sess., ch. 58, May 1, 1786).

<sup>37</sup> Judging that the time of payment "may in many instances prove too short and inconvenient," the Legislature later provided that in all sales made after March 31, 1785 purchasers were to pay one-third of the purchase money, and the remainder within nine months from the date of sale (*ibid.*, 8th sess., ch. 49, Mar. 31, 1785). It was soon found, however, that "the time given for

Failure to pay this sum within the time specified was to result in the forfeiture of the initial payment.<sup>38</sup> From the proceeds of the sales the legitimate claims of patriot creditors were to be liquidated; but those indebted to attainted or convicted persons were obliged to make their payments to the State.<sup>39</sup>

The Commissioners were authorized to demand copies of any official records and to summon persons to furnish evidence on matters deemed necessary for the due execution of the powers vested in them. They were to file abstracts of their sales in the offices of the clerks of the counties where the lands were located.<sup>40</sup> For their services and expenses in the execution of their trust, the Commissioners for the Eastern, Western, and Middle Districts were allowed 24s. for every day actually employed; while those for the Southern District were awarded 1¼% on the amount of the sales made by them.<sup>41</sup> Although

the payment of the said two-thirds parts of the purchase money is too long." It was therefore enacted, May 1, 1786, that thereafter purchasers were to pay one-third of the purchase price on the date of sale, and the remainder within four months (*ibid.*, 9th sess., ch. 58).

38 By the act of May 1, 1786, if purchasers neglected or refused to deposit on demand one-third of the purchase money, the Commissioners were to expose the property to sale at public vendue. If upon such sale the bid was lower than the sum offered on the first sale, the Commissioners could recover the difference from the first purchaser in an action of debt (*ibid.*).

39 See below, Chapter 4.

40 The county clerks were paid 1s. 6d. for each abstract which they recorded. Robert Benson, of New York County, was paid £36; Abraham Skinner, of Queens County, 18s.; Jacob Sharpe junior, of Kings County, £1 1s.; Ezra L'Hommedieu, of Suffolk County, 15s. 9d.; and Richard Hatfield, of Westchester County, £29 10s. 3d. There is no record of receipt of payment by the clerk of Richmond County (*New York State Treasurer's Accounts*, box 1, pp. 260, 329, 355, 356, 368; *New York State Treasurer's Day Book*, Mar. 22, 1785, Sept. 12, 1787, Dec. 8, 1788; *Rev. MSS.*, Vol. 46, box 1).

41 Gerard Banker, the State Treasurer, on October 3, 1787, paid to Isaac Stoutenburgh and Philip Van Cortlandt, Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Southern District, £5,797 11s., being "their commission" on £463,804 8s. 6d., the amount of the sales made by them (*Rev. MSS.*, Vol. 45, box 1; *N. Y. State Treasurer's Accounts*, box 1, p. 330). According to a "List of Reports made by the Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Southern District



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Dear Mr. Bayly Nov 1<sup>st</sup> 1841

*A. Heywood, 1850*

Signed: Isaac & Housenburgh

(Signed) L. H. Workman

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Signed Peter C. Curtis State Secy

[*N. Y. Commissioners of Forfeitures—Southern District—Abstract of Sales, N. Y. City and Vicinity, 1784-1787*, p. 67. From this sum, £883 were deducted for several errors, leaving £463,804 8s. 6d. (*ibid.*, p. 68)].

Courtesy of the New York Historical Society.





sales continued into the nineteenth century, so thorough had been the work of the Commissioners of Forfeitures in the Southern District that few parcels remained unsold when, in 1788, the sale of confiscated estates was entrusted to the Surveyor General.<sup>42</sup>

respecting Forfeited Estates," their sales amounted to £502,709 19s. (*Rev. MSS.*, Vol. 45, box 2).

<sup>42</sup> *Laws*, 11th sess., ch. 90 (Mar. 21, 1788). After the termination of their office on September 1, 1788, the Commissioners were to deliver to the Surveyor General all maps, papers, conveyances, and other documents relating to forfeited estates. The Surveyor General was vested with the same powers as those enjoyed by the Commissioners. In addition, he was authorized to make conveyances which were not to operate as a warrantee from the State where the State's title was deemed encumbered with claims or controversy. He was to sell forfeited estates at public vendue at Albany after eight weeks' notice, purchasers paying one-fourth of the money bid and the remainder within one year (*ibid.*, 24th sess., ch. 72, Mar. 24, 1801). By an act of March 31, 1802, "to facilitate the discovery and sale of the estates of attainted persons," the heirs of such persons or anyone who discovered and disclosed to the Surveyor General any unsold forfeited estates and delivered to him the deeds and maps necessary to establish the right of the State to such property were to be awarded 25% of the money for which the property was to be sold or receive one-fourth of such land (*ibid.*, 25th sess., ch. 87). Persons claiming the benefit of such discovery were to give eight weeks' notice in the newspapers that they had applied to the Surveyor General for the same, describing such lands in their notice. They were to exhibit, within three months after April 11, 1804, an affidavit made by two credible witnesses, having knowledge of such lands, stating what they knew concerning the title to the premises (*ibid.*, 27th sess., ch. 111, Apr. 11, 1804).

## CHAPTER II

### DISPOSING OF THE LOYALIST ESTATES <sup>1</sup>

#### A. NEW YORK COUNTY

No roster of great names of colonial New York would be complete without the DeLanceys, who, previous to the outbreak of the Revolution, were among the foremost and wealthiest families of colonial America. James DeLancey, eldest son of the lieutenant-governor of the province, was born in New York City in 1732, was educated at Eton and Cambridge, and saw active service in the British army. The death of his father in 1760 cut short his military career and left him with the responsibilities of the headship of this powerful and influential family.

The outbreak of hostilities found James DeLancey a staunch adherent of the royal cause. On the question of provincial resistance to the policies of the British government he adopted a typical loyalist attitude. At the commencement of the dissensions in America, he "took an early and decided part in favor of Great Britain and zealously exerted his influence and interest which was very considerable from political and family connections to prevent the unhappy breach which has taken place between Great Britain and America." He "took a leading part in promoting those applications to His Majesty and both Houses of Parliament," strongly resisting the ministerial policy but refraining from any commitments to revolutionary activity, and "was very instrumental in carrying them thro the Assembly notwithstanding a most violent opposition both within and

<sup>1</sup> The author has prepared as an appendix to this monograph a record of the sales executed by the Commissioners of Forfeitures in the Southern District, citing in each case the name of the purchaser, the price paid, the property purchased, the date of sale, the loyalist owner, and the place of record. With this information in the appendix, the author finds it unnecessary to present a detailed account of the disposition of each of the confiscated estates in the text. Enough are analyzed, however, to indicate the nature of such disposition.



MAP OF THE EAST AND WEST DeLANCEY FARMS

(Drawn from: *Map of the DeLancey Estate, adjoining the Bowery in New York City, in N. Y. City, Misc. Ms Materials, New York Public Library.*

"Map of the East and West DeLancey Farms," drawn by J. B. Holmes, Civil Engineer and City Surveyor, Sept., 1867, in the Office of the Register, New York County).

(Turn over for key to abbreviations)

## KEY TO PURCHASERS OF DeLANCEY FARMS

|     |                                            |
|-----|--------------------------------------------|
| B   | William Beekman                            |
| C   | Abraham Cannon                             |
| Dl  | John Delameter                             |
| Dn  | William Denning                            |
| Dn* | William Denning & Adam Gilchrist           |
| Fi  | Nicholas Fish                              |
| Fr  | George Fisher                              |
| G   | Nicholas Gouverneur                        |
| Gi  | Isaac Gouverneur                           |
| H   | Joseph Hallett                             |
| La  | John Lawrence                              |
| Le  | Morgan Lewis                               |
| Le* | Morgan Lewis & Henry Livingston            |
| Lh  | Henry Livingston                           |
| Li  | Philip Livingston                          |
| Lp  | Philip P. Livingston                       |
| Lp* | Philip P. Livingston & Nicholas Fish       |
| Lt* | Jonathan Lawrence & George Fisher          |
| Ly  | Dominick Lynch                             |
| M   | Janet Montgomery                           |
| M*  | Janet Montgomery & John Delameter          |
| P*  | Daniel Phoenix & Joseph Hallett            |
| Q   | John Quackenbos                            |
| R   | Isaac Roosevelt                            |
| R*  | Isaac Roosevelt, Henry Kip & John Lawrence |
| T   | Henry Tiebout                              |
| W*  | Marinus Willett & John Lamb                |

without the House from the adherents of Congress.”<sup>2</sup> In consequence of his loyalty to the British government he was attainted and his estate confiscated.

James DeLancey's holdings of New York City real estate, situated on what is now the lower East Side, were known as the East and West DeLancey Farms. The former, with a waterfront of over a mile on the East River, extended westward to Clinton Street, consisted of unplotted blocks, and was conveyed in large tracts by the Commissioners of Forfeitures. The West Farm, extending from Clinton Street to the Bowery, had been subdivided into over 1,920 lots, averaging twenty-five feet in width and one hundred feet in depth. The entire estate was sold in some two hundred and seventy six conveyances, yielding the State the sum of £107,532 in New York currency.<sup>3</sup>

A perusal of the conveyances executed by the Commissioners of Forfeitures reveals the fact that the entire East Farm, with the exception of a tract known as Corlears Hook, fell into the hands of fifteen persons<sup>4</sup>—practically all of them conspicuous

<sup>2</sup> *Transcripts of the MSS Books and Papers of the Commission of Enquiry into the Losses and Services of the American Loyalists*, 41: 269.

<sup>3</sup> “List of Reports made by the Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Southern District respecting Forfeited Estates,” in *Rev. MSS.*, Vol. 45, box 2. The prices cited in the returns of the Commissioners of Forfeitures total £121,372 3s. 4d. The discrepancy can be explained by the fact that some sales originally contracted were not consummated. James DeLancey valued his New York City holdings at £80,700 currency (*Loyalist Transcripts*, 41: 297). Evert Bancker junior, surveyor, estimated the value of DeLancey's estate at £94,145 (*Bancker Papers, Plans-N. Y. City Estates-Misc.*, folder 16). For a list of the plots comprising the estate with their estimated value, see “Map of the DeLancey Estate, adjoining the Bowery in New York City, with a partial list of papers relating to the claim of James DeLancey for reimbursement by the British Government,” *N. Y. City-Misc. MS Materials*.

<sup>4</sup> The purchasers and the number of tracts were: John Quackenbos, 6; Morgan Lewis, 4½; Janet Montgomery, 3; Henry Livingston, 1½; Philip P. Livingston, 1½; John Delameter, 4; John Lawrence, 2; Nicholas Fish, 1½; Joseph Hallett, 1; Joseph Hallett and Daniel Phoenix, 1; Marinus Willett and John Lamb, 1; Abraham Cannon, 1; William Denning and Adam Gilchrist, 1.



representatives of noted mercantile, landowning, and legal families. The Livingstons, who prior to the outbreak of the Revolution had been engaged in a protracted struggle against the "DeLancey interest" for the control of New York politics, were notably represented in the purchase of DeLancey real estate by Henry and Philip P. Livingston, Janet Montgomery, daughter of Robert R. Livingston, and Morgan Lewis. The last named, purchasing tracts on the East Farm comprising about seven city blocks, came of a prominent mercantile family, took an active part in the war, married a Livingston, served in the New York Assembly, was prominent on the New York bench, and climaxed his active political career by defeating Aaron Burr for the governorship in 1804. John Quackenbos, affluent New York baker who during this period appears to have been elevated to the distinctive position of "gentleman," acquired about sixteen city blocks. Marinus Willett was one of the radical leaders of the Sons of Liberty in New York, was active in the cause of American freedom, and served as member of Assembly, sheriff and mayor. John Lawrence was a prosperous New York attorney whose whole successful career in national politics was coincident with the period of Federalist dominance. John Lamb, very turbulent and troublesome leader of the Sons of Liberty, was a prosperous wine merchant and became collector of the port of New York. Nicholas Fish, the son of well-to-do parents, studied law in the office of that veteran of the Sons of Liberty, John Morin Scott, married Elizabeth Stuyvesant, descendant of the famous Dutch governor, rose to prominence in the politics of New York, and founded the fortune and prestige of a family which to this day has contributed distinguished names to the nation's political and business life.

The bulk of the tract known as Corlears Hook came into the possession of no less conspicuous representatives of prominent commercial, landowning, and professional families. The names of Morgan Lewis, John Quackenbos, Peter Byvanck, Garret Abeel, Dr. Nicholas Romayne, Henry Roome, Edward and

William Laight, James Blanchard, Lewis Ogden, and Nicholas Gouverneur stand out in bold relief. Without exception, they represented families of wealth and prominence which still considered land acquisitions and sales as a principal means to affluence as well as to political and social prestige.

On the West Farm a greater diffusion of ownership resulted from the sales executed by the Commissioners of Forfeitures. This is not to be interpreted, however, as marking a substantial gain for economic and social equality, for the amount of property purchased by the rank and file of small freeholders, shopkeepers, artisans, laborers, and former tenants was insignificant. A careful study of the map of the DeLancey estate,<sup>5</sup> together with the returns of the Commissioners of Forfeitures, makes possible a close approximation of the percentage of this property which fell into the hands of the more substantial and influential members of the community. At least 175 persons appear as purchasers on the West Farm. Of these, sixty-nine "gentlemen," "esquires," merchants, physicians, and attorneys purchased 1,455 of the 1,920 lots or over 75% of the property comprising the West Farm. Isaac Roosevelt, one of the most noted Whigs of the time, a great sugar refiner, member of the New York Chamber of Commerce, and director and president of the Bank of New York, purchased over 140 lots. Nicholas Gouverneur, whose family carried on an active trade with the West Indies, and, prior to the Revolution, had been engaged in illicit trade, bought in, with Lewis Ogden and Peter Hill, 204 lots. Dominick Lynch, a prominent wine merchant who spent money with the freedom of a prince, gave royal dinners, and went into the best society, picked up 36 lots. John Delafield, who came to the United States after the Revolution, went into trade, and became one of the most opulent men in the city, acquired 50 lots. In like manner, John Quackenbos purchased 79 lots;

<sup>5</sup> "Map of the East and West DeLancey Farms," drawn by J. B. Holmes, Civil Engineer and City Surveyor, Sept., 1867, Office of the Register, New York County.

William Beekman, 82; James Beekman, 16; Henry Tiebout, 32; Albertus Vandewater, 58; William Boyd, 22; John Sloss Hobart, 16; Abijah Hammond, 28, as well as two unplotted parcels; William W. Gilbert, 49; Morgan Lewis and Philip Livingston, 48 each; Nicholas Fish and Isaac Gouverneur, 32 each.

Not a few of the small shop-keepers, artisans, dependents, and widows who did come in for a share in the purchase of DeLancey real estate were obliged to do so by force of circumstances. Prior to the Revolution, a large part of the West Farm had been held under leases, the terms of which entitled the tenants to compensation for, or the removal of, their improvements.<sup>6</sup> Many of these leases, granted for twenty-one year terms in 1761, had expired during the Revolution, after the attainder of James DeLancey. Retiring to England at the outbreak of hostilities, the latter, on June 27, 1780, appointed his brother-in-law, Thomas Jones, and the Tory printer, James Rivington, "his true and lawful attorneys" to sell his New York holdings.<sup>7</sup> By virtue of this power of attorney, Rivington exposed the property to sale. Rather than remove their improvements, many tenants purchased the title to the lots in their possession. Others remained as tenants until the DeLancey estate was placed on sale by the Commissioners of Forfeitures.<sup>8</sup>

The attainder of James DeLancey placed his tenants in a precarious position. To continue in enjoyment of the improvements erected by them at their own expense, they were obliged to purchase from the Commissioners of Forfeitures the lots in their possession, the value of which had been much enhanced

<sup>6</sup> *Loyalist Transcripts*, 41: 296.

<sup>7</sup> *N. Y. City Lands-Misc. MS Materials* (Division Street).

<sup>8</sup> George Stanton, agent of James DeLancey, petitioned the Legislature that it restore to him "for the benefit of his constituent" a sum amounting to about £300, which had been paid to Isaac Stoutenburgh, one of the Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Southern District, "as part of rents due to the said James DeLancey, to the first of November, 1783." The Assembly refused to grant the petition (*Assembly Journal*, Apr. 7, 1787).

by these improvements. As all conveyances executed by attainted persons after July 9, 1776 were declared void, those tenants who had already purchased from Rivington the lots occupied by them were compelled to repurchase them, together with their own improvements, from the Commissioners of Forfeitures. Moreover, DeLancey's tenants were not even given the benefit of preemption of purchase extended to tenant-farmers by the confiscatory legislation. Forced into competition with wealthy merchants and land-jobbers, many were stripped of their holdings. Thus, Matthew Granger, a cartman, in his petition to the Legislature for redress, complained that three lots held by him under lease from James DeLancey, "together with the buildings and improvements thereon," were exposed to sale at public auction by the Commissioners of Forfeitures; "and the petitioner not being able to purchase the same, the said lots with the buildings and improvements thereon were sold to the highest bidder." What hurt particularly was that "the said buildings and improvements at the time of the said sale were the property of the petitioner."<sup>9</sup> In like manner, Susannah DeMilt, a widow, lost her buildings and improvements when the Commissioners sold the lots in her possession "at public auction" and she was "unable to purchase the same."<sup>10</sup>

Others, in a desperate effort to salvage their improvements, bought in the premises as highest bidders. Thus, Francis Dominick, carpenter, and George Dominick, bricklayer, to retain possession of a parcel on the West Farm which they had purchased from James Rivington during the Revolution,<sup>11</sup> were forced to repurchase their holdings from the Commissioners of Forfeitures.<sup>12</sup> Magdalen Falkenhan, a widow, in her petition to the Legislature, called attention to the fact that her

<sup>9</sup> *Assembly Papers*, 25: 155.

<sup>10</sup> *Ibid.*, 25: 148.

<sup>11</sup> They purchased the parcel comprising lots 244-49 on the West Farm for £400 from Rivington on June 11, 1782 (*N. Y. City Lands.-Misc. MS Materials-Division Street*).

<sup>12</sup> *Deeds, N. Y. Co., Lib. 467*, p. 494.



husband, as a tenant on the DeLancey estate, had expended large sums of money in buildings and other improvements. When the Commissioners exposed the premises to sale, she purchased the two lots tenanted by her. As these lots were "much enhanced in value on account of the said improvements," she paid £261, when other lots of equal dimension and situation sold at an average of £50 each. She complained, therefore, that she had paid about £161 for her own improvements, which she humbly conceived "ought in equity and good conscience to be deducted" from the purchase price.<sup>13</sup> When the lease of John Finck, a butcher, expired during the Revolution, and the two lots held by him were exposed to sale by DeLancey's agent, Finck purchased the premises for £200. In his petition to the Legislature for redress, he stated that he "was obliged to make the purchase" for the lots "would otherwise have been sold to any other person," in which case the petitioner "would have lost the buildings and improvements thereon, or been obliged to remove them." As this sale was deemed void by the Commissioners, Finck was obliged to repurchase the premises from them; and because of his improvements, he was induced to bid much higher than he would otherwise have done.<sup>14</sup>

No stone was left unturned by these leaseholders in their efforts to retain possession of what often amounted to the fruit of their life's work. Some turned to relatives or friends for aid in the purchase of their holdings at the Commissioners' sales. Thus, when the two lots tenanted by Jacob Whiteman, a yeoman, were exposed to sale, they were bought in for him by a friend. Old, infirm, and greatly reduced in circumstances, he petitioned the Legislature for an allowance on the buildings and improvements which at the time of sale "were the property of the petitioner."<sup>15</sup> Others paid the Commissioners a portion

<sup>13</sup> *Assembly Papers*, 25: 153; 26: 89-92; 27: 167.

<sup>14</sup> *Ibid.*, 25: 133.

<sup>15</sup> *Ibid.*, 25: 158.

of the purchase price and encumbered the premises with mortgages to secure the payment of the remainder. Those unable to fulfill their obligations suffered the foreclosure of their mortgages, the loss of their initial investments, and eviction from the premises. Thus, Elizabeth Leonard, a widow, "had erected and made improvements to the value of three hundred and seventy five pounds" on two lots which she held by lease from James DeLancey. After the expiration of her lease, Rivington exposed the lots to sale; and on March 2, 1782 she purchased them for £265.<sup>16</sup> Like others in the same predicament, she was obliged to repurchase the premises from the Commissioners. Paying £137 on the date of sale, she executed a bond to Isaac Stoutenburgh to secure the payment of the balance, £274, with interest.<sup>17</sup> Unable to meet the payment, she suffered the foreclosure of her mortgage; and her property was sold at auction to Samuel Bradhurst, a New York physician.<sup>18</sup>

For over a decade DeLancey's tenants petitioned the Legislature for redress; but few, indeed, were to see their efforts crowned with success. Notwithstanding the fact that a committee, in 1785, reported that "such tenants . . . ought to be relieved" and the Assembly directed the committee to bring in a bill to give general relief in such cases,<sup>19</sup> no such bill was submitted and no relief was forthcoming. The following year sundry petitions were read and "ordered to be laid on the table."<sup>20</sup> Some, disillusioned by repeated failure to secure compensation, gave up the seemingly hopeless struggle; but others persisted. In 1792 a committee recommended that Elizabeth Leonard be compensated for her improvements,<sup>21</sup> but no action

<sup>16</sup> *Ibid.*, 25: 127, 135-36; 27: 65, 195, 204.

<sup>17</sup> *Mortgages, N. Y. Co., Lib. 4*, p. 386; see also *Deeds, N. Y. Co., Lib. 45*, p. 324.

<sup>18</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib. 66*, p. 215. Bradhurst, who had purchased the premises (Feb. 16, 1789) for £350, sold them (Mar. 28, 1805) to William Baker, a lumber merchant, for \$7,500 (*Ibid.*, *Lib. 69*, p. 284).

<sup>19</sup> *Assembly Journal*, Feb. 16, 1785.

<sup>20</sup> *Ibid.*, Mar. 11, 1786.

<sup>21</sup> *Ibid.*, Mar. 22, 1792.



was taken. When a committee reported that the facts set forth in Magdalen Falkenhan's petition were true and recommended relief, the Assembly refused to concur with the committee in its report.<sup>22</sup> Later, when a bill was finally brought in for the relief of Elizabeth Leonard and John Pessenger, it was given two readings and died in the hands of a committee of the whole House.<sup>23</sup> In 1795 a committee reported that "as there is no law giving relief in the premises" the petitions of Magdalen Falkenhan and John Pessenger "ought not to be granted." This time the Assembly rejected the report of the committee;<sup>24</sup> yet nothing was done in behalf of the petitioners. With the exception of Henry Broadwell<sup>25</sup> and Ann Mott,<sup>26</sup> these persons were never awarded compensation. Former tenants evidently

<sup>22</sup> *Ibid.*, Mar. 6, 1793.

<sup>23</sup> *Ibid.*, Feb. 17-18, 1794.

<sup>24</sup> *Ibid.*, Mar. 5, 1795.

<sup>25</sup> The committee to which Broadwell's petition was referred reported that "considering the known and good character of the said Henry Broadwell" the value of the building and improvements made by him on two lots of the DeLancey estate "ought to be allowed him." The Assembly concurred and ordered a bill brought in for that purpose (*Ibid.*, Oct. 22, 1784). On May 7, 1787 the State Treasurer recorded in his books that he had paid Henry Broadwell £30 in cash "for a building he erected on James DeLancey's land" (*N. Y. State Treasurer's Day Book*, p. 189; *N. Y. State Treasurer's Accounts*, box 1, p. 319).

<sup>26</sup> In her petition to the Legislature, Ann Mott stated that "the property she prays for was hard earnt by her industry" and that she was "in very indigent circumstances having a family of several small children to support" (*Assembly Papers*, 25:140; 26:65, 245). Six years elapsed before her petition was granted (*Assembly Journal*, Oct. 26, 1784, Dec. 20, 1788, Jan. 27 and Feb. 2, 1790). In 1790 Gerard Bancker, the State Treasurer, was directed to pay to Ann Mott £165 "for so much by her expended in building a house on a lot of ground forfeited to the people of this State by the attainder of James DeLancey, and sold by the commissioners of forfeitures for the southern district, for which said lot of ground the said Anne by agreement with the said James previous to his attainder was entitled to a lease for twenty-one years, with liberty to remove the buildings at the expiration thereof" (*Laws*, 13th sess., ch. 52, Apr. 6, 1790). On April 8, 1790 Ann Mott acknowledged the receipt of £165 pursuant to the above-mentioned act (*Rev. MSS.*, Vol. 45, box 1).

had little to gain, and often much to lose, from the disposition of the DeLancey estate.

Another representative of the "DeLancey interest" who occupied a commanding position in colonial New York was Oliver, the uncle of James DeLancey. Like other members of his family, he carried on a lucrative trade; and, like so many successful merchants of the period, he converted his earnings into real estate. As a member of the Council, he did his part in keeping the DeLancey party in a powerful position in New York provincial politics. When the Revolution broke out, he "exerted all his abilities and courage" to hinder its progress, in which efforts he "was assisted by his numerous loyal friends." Summoned to appear before "the Reblish Committee and Provincial Congress . . . to explain himself as to his attachment to the American cause," he "secretly fled" and joined the British forces, raising and commanding a brigade of 1,500 loyalists.<sup>27</sup> Attainted of treason, he suffered the confiscation of his extensive New York and New Jersey holdings, valued by him at over £100,000 Sterling.<sup>28</sup> His New York City estate was struck off to Isaac Roosevelt, William Denning, member of the New York Provincial Congress, Charles McKnight, physician, and William Boyd, "Gentleman."

No less zealous in his loyalty was James DeLancey's brother-in-law, Thomas Jones. He was graduated from Yale College, an institution which he later looked upon as "a nursery of sedition, of faction, and republicanism."<sup>29</sup> By his marriage to Anne DeLancey, he became connected with men prominent in the affairs of government; and at the time of the Revolution he had risen to the position of justice of the Supreme Court of New York. During the whole course of the war, he "was firm, steady and staunch in his loyalty to his Sovereign and his attachment to the British Constitution and Government."<sup>30</sup>

<sup>27</sup> *Loyalist Transcripts*, 41: 101.

<sup>28</sup> *Ibid.*, 41: 107-65, 168; 5: 638-39.

<sup>29</sup> Thomas Jones, *op. cit.*, 1: 3.

<sup>30</sup> *Loyalist Transcripts*, 45: 347.

His sumptuous residence, "Mount Pitt," and his New York City lands, comprising a part of the DeLancey estate, were bought in by Morgan Lewis.<sup>31</sup>

Oliver DeLancey's brother-in-law and one-time business associate, John Watts, who had represented New York City in the General Assembly and was a member of the provincial Council, also espoused the royal cause. Quailing before the gathering storm, he embarked for England, leaving his family, property, and connections behind him.<sup>32</sup> His sons, Robert and John junior, petitioned the Legislature for "the preemption of purchasing" their father's forfeited estate. James Duane, moderate rebel and friend of Councillor Watts, moved that the petitioners' request be granted, which motion was carried in the affirmative.<sup>33</sup> Whereupon, the Legislature directed the Commissioners of Forfeitures "to release and quit claim" to them for an appraised price their father's farm and lot in New York City.<sup>34</sup>

Oliver DeLancey's son-in-law, John Harris Cruger, had been a member of his Majesty's Council and chamberlain of the City of New York. He "was well established in business as a merchant, by which he cleared from 6 to 7000£ Currency per Annum."<sup>35</sup> Although after the commencement of hostilities in 1775 "the proceedings against the King's friends became more

31 The Mount Pitt property had been conveyed by James DeLancey to his sister, Anne, who married Thomas Jones (*ibid.*, 45: 370-71). Morgan Lewis originally located upon "Mount Pitt" and eight acres of land near Corlears Hook, deemed to have been forfeited by Thomas Jones; and the property was appraised at £3,333 13s. 4d. Afterwards, when it was suggested to the Commissioners of Forfeitures that Jones had title to only  $2\frac{1}{3}$  acres, they refused to convey to Lewis more than these  $2\frac{1}{3}$  acres. In his petition to the Legislature, Lewis stated that he could prove that Jones had title to  $3\frac{2}{3}$  acres more, and he requested that he be given the property upon his paying the value thereof in depreciation certificates. Although a committee recommended that Lewis's petition be granted, the Assembly refused to concur (*Assembly Journal*, Nov. 24, 1784).

32 *Loyalist Transcripts*, 46: 432.

33 *Senate Journal*, Apr. 20, 1784.

34 *Laws*, 7th sess., ch. 64 (May 12, 1784).

35 *Loyalist Transcripts*, 5: 428.

and more threatening," he remained in New York City, hoping in some measure to "counteract the designs of the factious by his influence as an Officer of Government." In June, 1776 he "was compelled to fly to Long Island," where, upon the arrival of the British troops, he "immediately joined the Army" and was commissioned a Lieutenant Colonel by General Howe.<sup>36</sup> His dwelling house and lot in New York City, valued by him at £1,200,<sup>37</sup> were sold to Malachi Treat, New York physician, for £800.

The Bayards, like the DeLanceys, were among the wealthiest and most influential families of provincial New York. Robert and William Bayard inherited a lucrative mercantile business, as well as many broad acres in New York and New Jersey.<sup>38</sup> The latter "constantly employed his profits in the purchase of lands."<sup>39</sup> Affluent merchants, large landed proprietors, and aristocrats at heart and by habit, the Bayards were outspoken Tories.<sup>40</sup> Their holdings in New York City came into the possession of Morgan Lewis, Melancton Smith, Christopher Hutton, James Abeel, Philip Kissick, John Plaintrain, John Thompson, John R. Myer, Henry Wyckoff, Peter Mesier, Charles McKnight, Thomas McFarren, William Boyd, and Richard Varick—men who, almost without exception, were among the foremost in the social, political, and business life of the New Republic.

Hugh and Alexander Wallace, brothers and copartners in trade, also embraced the royal cause. Coming to America in the 1750's, they settled in New York City and carried on a very extensive commerce. Hugh rose to the position of member of his Majesty's Council and to the presidency of the New York Chamber of Commerce. Alexander's commerce was "valuable,

<sup>36</sup> *Ibid.*, 42: 435.

<sup>37</sup> *Ibid.*, 42: 443-44.

<sup>38</sup> *Ibid.*, 42: 177.

<sup>39</sup> *Ibid.*, 5: 562.

<sup>40</sup> *Ibid.*, 42: 339.

extended, and accumulating," giving "the full enjoyments of affluence, with a boundless prospect of encreasing wealth." Hugh's "principles and inclination" led him to take a zealous and decided part in favor of loyalism, "and during the whole of the War he looked for and embraced every opportunity to evince his attachment to the Royal Cause."<sup>41</sup> And Alexander's affection for his King "urged him to take an active part in the cause of loyalty."<sup>42</sup> Their estates in New York were acquired by Nicholas Low, eminent merchant, speculator, director of the Bank of New York, and Federalist legislator, Henry Will, pewterer, and John Quackenbos.

Isaac Low, prosperous merchant, extensive landowner, and one of the founders and president of the New York Chamber of Commerce, also joined the loyalist ranks. In the troubled relations between the mother country and the colonies, Low, like so many of his station, strongly resisted the ministerial policy, but strove to prevent domestic upheaval. Later, in his petition to the British government for compensation for his losses, he stated that he had "ever been warmly attached to the British Constitution and a zealous advocate for preserving and perpetuating the blessings of the British Empire in America by a union of the two Countries upon a permanent basis." It was from a "sincere though sanguine hope of being instrumental in accommodating the unhappy differences and in restoring a cordial and permanent reconciliation" that he accepted an appointment as a delegate to the First Continental Congress. Overborn "by the violence of a party whose zeal and designs extended far beyond what they professed" and finding all hopes "of accomplishing that reconciliation" frustrated, Low threw his influence against independence.<sup>43</sup> His estate in New York City fell to Sebastian Bauman, "Esquire," one of the organizers of the Sons of Liberty and of the Society of the Cin-

<sup>41</sup> *Ibid.*, 42: 351.

<sup>42</sup> *Ibid.*, 42: 89.

<sup>43</sup> *Ibid.*, 43: 139.



cinnati, and to Isaac Moses, prominent Jewish merchant and stockholder of the Bank of New York. The latter, paying £4,500 for his purchase, evidently acted as agent for Isaac Low's brother, Nicholas, who had been a firm Whig throughout the struggle. Seeking to salvage something from the confiscation of his brother's estate, Nicholas resold the premises for £5,750, and, after deducting his own expenditure, remitted the balance to his brother, exiled in England.<sup>44</sup>

The loyalty of the brothers-in-law, Roger Morris, Beverley Robinson, and Frederick Philipse, was unshaken. The first named, as a British soldier and member of the provincial council, had been "a servant of the Crown upwards of thirty eight years without intermission."<sup>45</sup> Besides the extensive estate in Dutchess County of which he was possessed by right of his wife, Mary Philipse, daughter of the second lord of Philipse Manor, Colonel Morris had large holdings in New York City. Of the latter, a tract in the South Ward was purchased by John Lamb and John Delameter; and the impressive Morris Mansion, once the resort of the flower of provincial society, together with one hundred and fifteen acres of land on Harlem Heights, fell into the hands of John Berrien, merchant who represented New York in the Assembly of the State, and Isaac Ledyard, radical Whig physician. The New York holdings of Frederick Philipse and Beverley Robinson were sold to Henry Wyckoff, Adam Gilchrist, and Isaac Hubble, all active New York merchants.

The disposal of the estates forfeited by thirteen other loyalists in New York County was quite similar. With but few exceptions, the purchasers were drawn from the most wealthy and influential families of the time. Thus, after reserving one house and lot as the "residence of his excellency the governor,"<sup>46</sup> the Commissioners of Forfeitures sold the New York

<sup>44</sup> *Ibid.*, 43: 176.

<sup>45</sup> *Ibid.*, 43: 283.

<sup>46</sup> *Laws*, 7th sess., ch. 12 (Mar. 29, 1784), ch. 64 (May 12, 1784).

holdings of Henry White to his son, Henry junior, John Quackenbos, and Marinus Willett. With the exception of a house and lot purchased by George Campbell, a gardener, and another house and lot acquired by one John Carrow, James Jauncey's estate in New York City, valued by him at £9,900,<sup>47</sup> went to John McKesson,<sup>48</sup> John Maley, Albany merchant, William Malcom, active member of the Sons of Liberty, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Legislature of the State, Isaac Stoutenburgh junior, "Gentleman," John Delafield, Marinus Willett, John Lamb, and John Delameter. Of the holdings of Thomas White, one lot was acquired by John Quackenbos; and the remainder went to White's widow, to whom the Legislature had granted the benefit of preemption of purchase.<sup>49</sup> With the exception of a house and lot appropriated to the use of the Secretary of State "for the accomodation of his family, and as a deposit for the archives and records of this State,"<sup>50</sup> William Axtell's New York City estate went to John and Nicholas Quackenbos. The two city lots forfeited by the attainder of David Matthews were brought in by John Quackenbos. The house and seven lots forfeited by the conviction of John Griggs, Albany farmer, were purchased by John Murray, merchant, and John Lake, "Gentleman." The estate of Joshua De St. Croix, Westchester merchant, fell to William Newton, mariner, and to Comfort and Joshua Sands.

<sup>47</sup> *Loyalist Transcripts*, 43: 335.

<sup>48</sup> By the act of May 12, 1784, the Commissioners of Forfeitures were directed to convey to John McKesson a house and lot forfeited by James Jauncey, as part payment for money due to him as clerk of the Supreme Court and of the courts of oyer and terminer and general gaol delivery of the State "for services in prosecutions on behalf of the people of this State against persons for having adhered to the enemies of the State, and in other prosecutions on behalf of the said people" (*Laws*, 7th sess., ch. 64).

<sup>49</sup> *Senate Journal*, Apr. 19-20, May 4, 1784. By the act of May 12, 1784, the Commissioners were directed to convey to Anna White at an appraised price sundry lots in the north ward of New York City, in the garden called the Vineyard, forfeited by her husband (*Laws*, 7th sess., ch. 64).

<sup>50</sup> *Ibid*, 7th sess., ch. 12 (Mar. 29, 1784), ch. 64 (May 12, 1784).

The Sands brothers were closely associated with the mercantile, financial, and speculative interests of the day. Comfort had prospered in the West Indian trade before the outbreak of hostilities. Identifying himself prominently with the Revolutionary movement, he enhanced his fortune during the war through speculation in army supplies. As one of the founders and directors of the Bank of New York and president of the Chamber of Commerce, he was to play a prominent role in the financial affairs of the city after the war. His brother, Joshua, was associated with him in his business activities; and the profits derived from their war contracts and trade served as the basis for extensive speculative ventures in loyalist property.

It is evident that the Revolution did not greatly democratize landholding in New York County. Here, the representatives of New York's wealthiest and most distinguished families contrived to get the bulk of the forfeited estates of twenty-six loyalists into their own hands.

#### B. KINGS, QUEENS, SUFFOLK, AND RICHMOND COUNTIES

In Kings County the Commissioners of Forfeitures sold the estates of five loyalists: John Rapalje, Abraham Rapalje, William Axtell, Gerret Williamson, and Volkert Sprung junior. The first named was possessed of the largest estate in Brooklyn, enjoyed the highest confidence and respect of his fellow citizens, and represented Kings County in the provincial Assembly. The Whigs, fearing his influence among his constituents, took him prisoner to Connecticut, where he was confined for several months. Returning to New York under parole in the autumn of 1776, he rendered "every service in his power to the King's cause."<sup>51</sup> His estate, valued by him at £33,742,<sup>52</sup> was sold in six conveyances, yielding the State £14,460. The lion's share, containing one hundred and sixty acres, with the houses, barns, stables, and other improvements erected thereon and compris-

<sup>51</sup> *Loyalist Transcripts*, 6: 590; 44: 547.

<sup>52</sup> *Ibid.*, 44: 551.

ing the principal field of the early growth of the village, fell to Comfort and Joshua Sands for £12,430. Morgan Lewis bought in eighty acres for £1,300. Two lots of woodland, containing over twenty acres were sold for £200 to Malachi Treat;<sup>53</sup> and the remainder went to John Johnson, James Bates, Henry Will, and John Maley. William Axtell's holdings in Kings County were purchased by Aquila Giles, "Esquire," one of Washington's officers, who later represented the county in the State Assembly and was one of the trustees and vestrymen of the Episcopal Church of Brooklyn.<sup>54</sup> The house and three hundred acre farm in the Township of Flatlands which were forfeited by the conviction of Volkert Sprung junior, yeoman, came into the possession of the land-jobbing counsellor at law, John Lawrence. Abraham Rapalje's twenty-three acre estate in Bushwick was acquired by Alexander Whaley, a blacksmith whose patriotism always blazed out at the sight of Tories who lingered within the precincts of Bushwick. The property

<sup>53</sup> According to a certificate of sale of the Commissioners of Forfeitures, this parcel was sold to Benjamin Walker, army officer, who after the war was engaged in brokerage activities and was taken into the Chamber of Commerce (*Deed Books*, 20: 360, Division of the Land Office of the Department of State, Albany). The Commissioners' abstract of the sale cites Malachi Treat as the purchaser (*Deeds, Kings Co., Lib. 6*, p. 344F).

<sup>54</sup> William Axtell, at his examination before the Commission of Enquiry into the Losses and Services of the American Loyalists, exhibited a letter from Matthew Clarkson, dated March 8, 1787, informing him that Colonel Giles purchased his house, out-houses, stables, coach house, gardens, and some thirty acres for £4,500, "and cheap bargain he had" as he always understood that the house and buildings alone cost Axtell more. Besides, Giles bought all the furniture, horses, carriages, wagons, farming and garden utensils. Clarkson informed him also that all his negroes had been sold, one negro, his wife and child purchased by Jacob Lofferts for £214 11s.; one bought by Axtell's former house-keeper; another purchased by her husband; one claimed by Giles; others sold to farmers in Dutchess County; and two had run off to Philadelphia, "where all negroes are to be free" (*Loyalist Transcripts*, 44: 685-87). Axtell valued his Kings County estate at £9,234 (*ibid.*, 44: 657-61). His name is not cited in the Commissioners' abstracts of sales to Aquila Giles; and the price paid, according to these abstracts, was £1,301 (*Deeds, Kings Co., Lib. 6*, pp. 344B, 344D; see also *Lib. 9*, p. 478).



forfeited by Gerret Williamson, Gravesend yeoman, brought the State £850.<sup>55</sup>

In Queens County, the forfeited estates of ten loyalists were disposed of in thirteen conveyances. The Ludlows, who had held positions of great weight in the affairs of the province, were steadfast in their attachment to Great Britain. George Duncan Ludlow, justice of the Supreme Court of the colony, "exerted himself to the extent of his personal influence and abilities to allay the ferment;" and with the arrival of the King's troops he assisted "to the utmost of his power in the restoration of peace and good order."<sup>56</sup> His brother, Gabriel George Ludlow, commander of the militia and justice of the peace in Queens County, was instrumental in keeping the inhabitants loyal to their King.<sup>57</sup> Three hundred acres of George Duncan Ludlow's estate, lying on the north side of Hempstead Plains, Long Island, went to Israel Wells, merchant of Orange County; and twenty-six acres were bought by Charles McKnight, New York physician. The one hundred and forty acre estate of Gabriel George Ludlow, valued by him at £2,000 Sterling,<sup>58</sup> was purchased by John Berrien and Isaac Ledyard for £800 New York currency.

David Colden, second son of the loyalist Lieutenant-Governor Cadwallader Colden, "stood forward in support of govern-

<sup>55</sup> The name of the Tory owner is not given in the Commissioners' abstract of their sale of a house and 34¾ acres of land at Gravesend to Samuel Striker, yeoman, for £850 (*ibid.*, *Lib.* 6, pp. 344E-344F). As Williamson was the only Gravesend loyalist whose estate was sold by the Commissioners of Forfeitures, and as the proceeds were the same as the amount cited in the Commissioners' abstract of their sale to Samuel Striker, it is evident that the property purchased by Striker had belonged to Williamson. According to the Commissioners' records of locations upon forfeited estates, a parcel of land at Gravesend, Kings County, forfeited by Gerrit Williamson, was appraised at £850 and was located upon, May 20, 1784, by Benjamin Walker (*N. Y. Commissioners of Forfeitures—Southern District—Abstract of Sales, N. Y. City and Vicinity, 1784-1787*, p. 9).

<sup>56</sup> *Loyalist Transcripts*, 41: 409.

<sup>57</sup> *Ibid.*, 19: 405.

<sup>58</sup> *Ibid.*, 19: 409.



ment;" and, like Gabriel George Ludlow, he "exerted all his influence in Queens County to keep the inhabitants there true to their allegiance."<sup>59</sup> His spacious Mansion House and two hundred and forty acres in Flushing were conveyed by the Commissioners of Forfeitures for £1,800 to one William Cornwell. Dow Van Dyne's two hundred acre farm in Newtown was bought in by Thomas McFarren, prominent New York merchant.<sup>60</sup> A two hundred acre estate in Jamaica, which was forfeited by the conviction of Johannis Polhemus, was sold to Marinus Willet.<sup>61</sup> The estate of Henry Lloyd, comprising tenements, a tract of salt meadow, and seven hundred acres of land on the Manor of Queen's Village, was purchased by his nephew, John Lloyd junior, for £2,900.<sup>62</sup> Daniel Kissam's three hundred and thirty acre farm and tenements in North Hempstead were bought in by his widow for £2,000.<sup>63</sup> George Folliot's twenty-one acre tract in Jamaica went for £500 to Abraham Skinner, clerk of Queens County. A four acre parcel and tenements in Jamaica, forfeited by Joseph Ford, a tavern-keeper, were sold for £450 to Melancton Smith, active member of the Commission for Detecting and Defeating Conspiracies, wealthy merchant, and anti-Federalist lawyer.<sup>64</sup> On July 10, 1793 Simeon DeWitt, the Surveyor General, conveyed to one Isaac Smith for £40 "all the meadows, fresh and salt, lying on the south side of Long Island joining to the Beach . . . deemed to have become forfeited to the People of the State of New York by the attainder of Thomas Jones."<sup>65</sup>

<sup>59</sup> *Ibid.*, 19: 437.

<sup>60</sup> *Assembly Papers*, 27: 25.

<sup>61</sup> At the examination of Polhemus before the British Commission of Enquiry into the Losses and Services of the American Loyalists, it appeared from a certificate of Isaac Stoutenburgh that Willett's purchase comprised 180 acres (*Loyalist Transcripts*, 18: 181).

<sup>62</sup> *Deeds, Queens Co., Lib. E*, p. 474.

<sup>63</sup> *Deeds, N. Y. Co., Lib. 41*, p. 490.

<sup>64</sup> *Deeds, Queens Co., Lib. R*, p. 50.

<sup>65</sup> *Land Papers*, 9: 188, Division of Engineering of the Department of Public Works, Albany. Although Thomas Jones had been possessed of an

In Suffolk County, the Commissioners of Forfeitures sold the extensive holdings of Richard Floyd, George Muirson, and Parker Wickham to six purchasers. The first named, a gentleman of wealth and of the first rank, was "firm, steady and staunch in his Loyalty to his Sovereign." With the arrival of the British troops at Long Island in August 1776, he was commissioned Colonel Commandant of the Suffolk County militia.<sup>66</sup> His large Brookhaven estate was sold in three conveyances, the bulk going to his brother, Benjamin,<sup>67</sup> and the remainder to Caleb Brewster, member of the Cincinnati and merchant-speculator, and to Benjamin Tallmadge. The latter, a graduate of

extensive estate in Queens County, the Commissioners of Forfeitures, believing that the property had been entailed by his father, did not sell any part of it (*ibid.*, 8: 185). The Legislature later vested the estate in David Richard Floyd Jones, who was to have enjoyed the benefit of the entail after the death of Thomas Jones (*Laws*, 13th sess., ch. 10, Feb. 20, 1790). Simeon DeWitt, when authorized to sell the fresh and salt meadows on Long Island deemed to have been forfeited by Thomas Jones, asked Morgan Lewis, the Attorney General, for advice as to the validity of Jones's title to the premises. Jones had claimed the premises on the basis of an old Indian grant (*Oyster Bay Town Records*, 1: 676-77). But part of the premises were claimed by the Town of Huntington, other parts were claimed by some persons under the Indian deed, and some of the inhabitants of Oyster Bay claimed the entire tract. In a letter to Simeon DeWitt offering advice on this property of Jones near Oyster Bay, Morgan Lewis wrote that he was "far from thinking" Jones's right to the property "so well founded as to admit of no dispute," and therefore advised DeWitt to sell it "expressly without warrantee" (*Land Papers*, 9: 188, Division of Engineering of the Department of Public Works, Albany).

<sup>66</sup> *Loyalist Transcripts*, 17: 499.

<sup>67</sup> *Deed Books*, 22: 133, Division of the Land Office of the Department of State, Albany. In his testimony before the Commission of Enquiry into the Losses and Services of the American Loyalists, Richard Floyd stated that his brother purchased the estate "on his own account" and that he expected "no benefit to himself or family from it" (*Loyalist Transcripts*, 17: 509-10). James Muirson testified, however, that Richard Floyd's brother, Benjamin, had purchased the property "with a view of benefiting his brother's family." The Commission, in recommending £2,310 Sterling as compensation for his property losses, estimated by Floyd at £5,523 15s. Sterling, took into consideration the fact that a very considerable part of his property had been purchased by his brother "for the benefit of the claimant and his family" (*ibid.*, 29: 79-80).

Yale, took an active part in the war, displayed superior military abilities, and rose rapidly in rank from lieutenant and adjutant in Chester's Connecticut State Regiment to captain, major, and brevet lieutenant-colonel. After the close of the Revolution, Tallmadge, together with Caleb Brewster, engaged successfully in commercial pursuits and invested heavily in forfeited lands. The dwelling-house and one hundred and fifty acres of George Muirson's estate were sold to one Mills Philips, a yeoman, for £914;<sup>68</sup> and the remainder, a large tract comprising two thousand four hundred acres, went to Joseph Brewster for £300. Parker Wickham's estate was disposed of in three conveyances, Nathaniel Norton, zealous patriot and member of the Cincinnati, purchasing two houses, eight acres of meadow land, and one thousand and thirty-two acres of farm land for £1,930; and the remainder, a three hundred and fifty acre tract called Robin's Island, fell into the hands of Caleb Brewster and Benjamin Tallmadge, who paid £1,250.

In Richmond County, the estates of two loyalists, Christopher Billopp and his father-in-law, Benjamin Seaman, were forfeited by their attainder. A man of high standing, in command of the Staten Island militia, and representing Richmond County in the provincial assembly, Billopp took an early and decided stand against independence. He evinced his attachment to the royal cause by raising and commanding a regiment of Staten Island loyalists. Twice the "Tory Colonel" was taken prisoner, "once ironed and chained to the floor of a common gaol at Burlington, New Jersey, and allowed no other sustenance than bread and water."<sup>69</sup> Released by an exchange of prisoners, Billopp continued in the service of Great Britain until the close of the war.

At the outbreak of the Revolution, Billopp was possessed of the Manor of Bentley, comprising 1,078 acres on Staten Island, which he valued at over £13,500.<sup>70</sup> On it stood the Billopp

<sup>68</sup> *Deeds, Suffolk Co., Lib. D*, p. 206.

<sup>69</sup> *Loyalist Transcripts*, 41: 53.

<sup>70</sup> *Ibid.*, 41: 60.

Mansion, scene of the conference held September 11, 1776 between Lord Howe, admiral of the British fleet, and Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, and Edward Rutledge, representing the Continental Congress, in the hope of getting the colonies to return to their allegiance. Colonel Billopp's attainder induced him to sell his holdings for what they would fetch, "subject as they were to seizure in case of an unfavorable issue."<sup>71</sup> Voiding these sales on the ground that they had been executed with a view to defraud the State, the Commissioners of Forfeitures conveyed the entire estate, estimated by them at eight hundred and fifty and one-half acres, for £4,695 to Thomas McFarren,<sup>72</sup> who was obliged to institute protracted and costly suits at law against those to whom Billopp had deeded the property.<sup>73</sup>

Equally prominent in Staten Island society was Colonel Billopp's father-in-law, Benjamin Seaman, last colonial judge

<sup>71</sup> *Ibid.*, 41: 53-55. Eight hundred and fifty acres were covered by his sales, which netted him £8,200. He told the British Commission of Enquiry into the Losses and Services of the American Loyalists that the purchasers "took the chance of the War" and that his losses by these sales amounted to £4,752. According to his petition for compensation, he had sold his estate to the following persons: Samuel Ward, 373 acres for £3,730; Albert Rickman, 207 acres for £2,070; Benjamin Drake, 60 acres for £600; Edmund Wood, 50 acres, £500; John Mance, 50 acres for £500; Joseph and James Totten, 35 acres for £350; James Churchward, 25 acres for £150; and Charles Storee, 50 acres for £500 (*ibid.*, 41: 62-63). The sales to Ward and Drake are on record in *Deeds, Richmond Co., Lib. E*, pp. 127, 132. According to another instrument, Billopp sold to Joseph Totten on May 10, 1780 twenty-three and a half acres for £235 (*ibid.*, *Lib. E*, p. 129). Another recorded deed cites Billopp as conveying to Jacob Rickhow on May 12, 1778 a house, meadow, and farm comprising one hundred and twenty-six acres for £756 (*ibid.*, *Lib. G*, p. 1).

<sup>72</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib. E*, p. 147. The Commissioners, in their conveyance to McFarren, stated that the following were in possession: Samuel Ward, 373 acres; Albert Ryckman, 200 acres; John Manner, 50 acres; Edmund Wood, 50 acres; Andrew Prior, 50 acres; James Churchward, 25 acres; Benjamin Drake, 67½ acres; Joseph Totten, 23½ acres; and Jacob Reckhow, 11½ acres. Comparing this list with the one drawn up by Billopp, it is evident that some of the land had changed owners before the Commissioners exposed the property to sale.

<sup>73</sup> See below, p. 94.



of Richmond County. As a member of the provincial assembly, he joined his son-in-law in opposing the appointment of delegates from New York to the Continental Congress; and during the war, he rendered "every service in his power to his Majesty's cause." Like his son-in-law, Judge Seaman sold his estate after his attainder.<sup>74</sup> Regarding these sales, too, as having been made with intent to prevent a forfeiture, the Commissioners deemed them fraudulent and sold Seaman's Staten Island holdings to Cornelius C. Roosevelt, affluent New York merchant,<sup>75</sup> and to Thomas McFarren.<sup>76</sup>

### C. WESTCHESTER COUNTY

Few men in colonial New York held a place of greater distinction than did Frederick Philipse, third and last lord of the Manor of Philipsburgh. Scion of an ancient, aristocratic family, he owned extensive lands, ruled beneficently over his tenants, and lived in genteel splendor, entertaining lavishly in his manor house.

The outbreak of the Revolution found Frederick Philipse, like so many large landed proprietors, faithful to King George

<sup>74</sup> *Loyalist Transcripts*, 18: 553-55. According to his petition to the British Government for compensation for the losses which he had sustained as a loyalist, Seaman sold one farm to Paul Micheau for £5,000; three lots of woodland to James Johnson for £519; one lot to Lawrence Hillyer for £161 12s.; one lot to Joseph Merrill for £163 4s.; one lot to Moses Decker for £133 5s.; two lots to John Decker for £255; and two lots to Isaac Lackerman for £240 (*ibid.*, 18: 557). Seaman petitioned for compensation because he had given warrantee deeds to the purchasers and conceived himself liable "to return the purchase money" in case of actual forfeiture (*ibid.*, 18: 555). The Commission of Enquiry into the Losses and Services of the American Loyalists disallowed the claim (*ibid.*, 29: 259).

<sup>75</sup> Roosevelt paid £3,000 for a house, mill, barn, out-houses, and two hundred acre farm, "now in the possession of Paul Micheau" (*Deeds, Richmond Co., Lib. E*, p. 146).

<sup>76</sup> McFarren paid £1,120 16s. for a parcel of land in the Manor of Castle Town, apparently comprising eighty acres (*ibid.*, *Lib. E*, pp. 146-47). The precise acreage of this parcel is not clearly indicated in the recorded instrument; it is the opinion of C. W. Leng and W. T. Davis, however, that the aforesaid number is correct (*Staten Island and its People*, 1: 206).



III. Although, when summoned to appear before a Westchester committee for the hearing and trying of disaffected persons, he sought to exculpate himself from the charge of opposition to the American cause,<sup>77</sup> there could be little doubt as to where he stood on the momentous issue of the day. Later, in his petition to the British government for compensation for the losses which he had sustained as a loyalist, he stated that, as a member of the New York Assembly from 1750 to 1775, he had "uniformly opposed every Measure there proposed which he thought inconsistent with the Rights of the Crown and Parliament." Actuated by "the firmest principles of Loyalty and Attachment to the British Government," he had "exerted his influence to prevent" the destruction of his Majesty's authority over America. In the spring of 1776, he had "convened a large number of the Freeholders and Inhabitants of the Town of Westchester and prevailed on them to enter into an Association to preserve the peace and to support the legal government." But "his laudable intentions were frustrated by the Superior Force of several parties which were formed in the County and others which came from Connecticut." At length, he "was seized on by a party of American Volunteers from New York and carried from his family a prisoner into Connecticut where he was confined for the space of Six Months." Released from his confinement by a parole granted by Governor Trumbull, he sought a haven of refuge "within the British Lines at New York."<sup>78</sup>

These activities, of course, marked Philipse as a vigorous foe of the Revolution. The State, endeavoring to punish those who were inimical to the American cause and desiring to extricate itself from the financial difficulties confronting it, proceeded to strip Philipse, as it did other Tories, of his property. His name appeared in the act of attainder of October 22, 1779, whereby the estates of those adhering to the enemy were de-

<sup>77</sup> *Jour. N. Y. Prov. Cong.*, 2: 116-17.

<sup>78</sup> *Loyalist Transcripts*, 41: 575-77.

clared forfeited to the State. On June 15, 1780, the Philipse estate, with the properties of other prominent Tories, was reserved as security for the redemption of the Congressional bills of credit issued in pursuance of an act of March 10, 1780. Under the comprehensive act of May 12, 1784, authorizing the "speedy sale of the confiscated and forfeited estates," Philipse Manor was sold in some three hundred and eleven conveyances, two hundred and ninety-one of which, on record in the Office of the Register at White Plains,<sup>79</sup> yielded the State the sum of £220,119 8s. 6d. in New York currency.<sup>80</sup>

<sup>79</sup> The MS ledger entitled *Abstracts of Sales, Commissioners of Forfeitures, Westchester County*, in the Office of the Register at White Plains, contains abstracts of two-hundred and eighty-seven conveyances of property in Philipse Manor. Four sales, not cited in this MS ledger, appear in the *Libers of Conveyances* recorded in the Office of the Register at White Plains. These records describe fully each parcel sold by the Commissioners of Forfeitures and indicate the date of sale, the name of the purchaser, and the price paid in each case. In 1880, M. K. Couzens, civil engineer and surveyor of Yonkers, published for the convenience of lawyers and searchers of titles a "Map of a Part of the Manor of Philipsburgh in the County of Westchester, New York, Showing the Grants from the State of New York in the City of Yonkers and Town of Greenburgh." With this map, Couzens prepared an *Index to Grantees and Occupants of the former Manor of Philipsburgh, Westchester County, New York*. This *Index*, compiled from the data in the MS ledger and *Libers of Conveyances* mentioned above, contains the names of purchasers, dates of deeds, brief descriptions, and places of record. Besides the two hundred and ninety-one sales on record in the Office of the Register at White Plains, Couzens cites seventeen abstracts of deeds and certificates of sale to Manor lands not on file in the Office of the Register, "the originals or duplicates whereof have been seen and copied by the Compiler" (pp. 46-48). Couzens failed to cite the prices of the sales listed in his *Index*. More recently (1928-1929), Mrs. R. D. Bristol published in the *New York Genealogical and Biographical Record* (59: 108-20, 247-55, 342-50; 60: 64-67, 164-71) "Abstracts of Sales of the Commissioners of Forfeitures in the Southern District of New York State." Except for the regrettable omission of the prices of the sales, the abstracts listed by Mrs. Bristol constitute a summary of each sale cited in the MS ledger in the Office of the Register at White Plains. For a complete record of the sale of Philipse Manor, see below, p. 139.

<sup>80</sup> According to the "List of Reports made by the Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Southern District respecting Forfeited Estates," the sale of the estate of Frederick Philipse brought in £234,170 18s. (*Rev. MSS*, Vol.

At the time of the Revolution, Philipse Manor comprised ninety-two thousand one hundred and sixty acres, extending for twenty-four miles along the Hudson from Croton River to Spuyten Duyvil Creek. It contained within its bounds a part of the twenty-fourth ward of New York City; the city of Yonkers; and the Towns of Greenburgh, Mount Pleasant, and Ossining.

That former tenants should have come into possession of a large part of Philipse Manor was only natural. Seldom disturbed in the possession of their respective farms, Frederick Philipse's tenants had developed something akin to a property interest in their holdings. In their testimony before the Commission of Enquiry into the Losses and Services of the American Loyalists, John Tabor Kempe, late Attorney General of New York, Colonel Beverley Robinson, James DeLancey, and John Watts expressed doubt as to Philipse's right to evict his tenants.<sup>81</sup> A comparison of the rent-roll of Frederick Philipse<sup>82</sup> with the names of purchasers recorded in the returns of the Commissioners of Forfeitures reveals the fact that many patriot-tenants availed themselves of the benefit of preemption provided by the confiscatory legislation and established themselves as freeholders.

45, box 2). A few parcels in Philipse Manor remained unsold when, in 1788, the sale of forfeited estates was entrusted to the Surveyor General of the State. On September 6, 1803, Simeon DeWitt, the Surveyor General, conveyed to William Washburn for \$269 a tract of land in Mount Pleasant, containing forty-two and three-quarters acres and twenty-seven perches, "deemed to have been forfeited to the people of this State by the attainder of Frederick Philipse." On the same day, DeWitt conveyed to Daniel Washburn for \$96.46 an eleven and three-quarters acre parcel in Mount Pleasant, and to Samuel Allen for \$127.65 a tract of land in Mount Pleasant containing twenty-seven acres, two rods and sixteen perches. On February 7, 1803, John Strang applied to the Surveyor General for an eighty acre parcel in Mount Pleasant, which the Commissioners of Forfeitures had omitted from their sales by some mistake (*Land Papers*, 8: 121-23; 9: 94, Division of Engineering of the Department of Public Works, Albany).

81 *Loyalist Transcripts*, 41: 614, 621, 628, 631.

82 *Ibid.*, 41: 581-92; consult also the Couzens map and *Index* in the Map Division of the New York Public Library.

The sale of a large part of Philipse Manor to former tenants obviously had a certain democratizing influence on landholding in Westchester. It must not be hastily interpreted, however, as an egalitarian distribution of large estates. It does not mean that all poor farmers, tenants, or landless workers obtained land, or that the people who did obtain it were poor farmers. It must be remembered that, prior to the Revolution, the tenant-farmers of Westchester County "were favored as few other purely agriculturists have been favored, then or since, in any part of the world." With a productive soil, fixed tenure, moderate rentals, and near enough to New York City to afford a ready market for the sale of their produce, comparatively few among these Westchester farmers were in difficult circumstances and many were well-to-do.<sup>83</sup>

Only in the light of this fact can one understand how it was possible for many of Philipse's tenants to purchase at enormously high prices the farms in their possession. Thus, Gilbert Tomkins paid £1,120 for one hundred and forty acres; John Tomkins, £1,604 15s. for two hundred and sixty two acres; Absolom Nelson, £1,840 for two hundred and thirty acres; William Hunt, £2,092 10s. for two hundred and seventy acres; Isaac Lawrence senior, £1,512 for one hundred and eighty-nine acres; Thomas Valentine, £2,380 for two hundred and thirty-eight acres; John Hammond junior, £1,976 5s. for two hundred and fifty-five acres; Jonathan Odell, £1,203 16s. for four hundred and sixty-three acres; William Hunt, £2,092 10s. for two hundred and seventy acres; Thomas Barker, £1,606 10s. for one hundred and eighty-nine acres; John Shute, £1,407 10s. for one hundred and ninety acres; Benjamin Fowler, £2,135 for three hundred and five acres; Peter Furshee, £1,402 10s. for one hundred and seventy acres; Job Sherwood, £1,095 for three hundred and sixty-five acres; and Jacob Ryder, £3,000 for two hundred acres.

<sup>83</sup> J. T. Scharf, *History of Westchester County, New York*, 1: 178-79.



A perusal of the returns of the Commissioners of Forfeitures also reveals the fact that some Westchester families purchased many broad acres of Philipse Manor. Thus, the Oakleys (James, John, Joseph, Gilbert, Isaac, and Thomas) purchased one thousand one hundred and twenty-five and a quarter acres, for which they paid £5,270 19s. 6d. The Odells (Abraham senior, Abraham, John, Isaac, Henry, James, and Jonathan) acquired one thousand seven hundred and forty-one and a half acres, paying £6,122. The Sherwoods (Gersham, Isaac, Solomon, Joshua, Abigail, Job, Stephen, and Thomas) purchased one thousand seven hundred and two and a half acres, paying £6,111 15s. The Tompkins family, represented in the persons of Thomas, John, John junior, Gilbert, James, William, and Nathaniel, acquired one thousand one hundred and thirty-four acres for £5,117 10s. The Storms (Henry, Jacob, Gregory, Thomas, David, Nicholas, Hendrick, Abraham, and Andrew) purchased one thousand three hundred and forty-two acres for £3,644 6s.

Prominent gentlemen of Westchester County were actively engaged in the purchase of Philipse property from the Commissioners of Forfeitures. Thus, Samuel Drake, one of the Commissioners of Sequestration from Westchester County and a member of the Provincial Convention and of the Assembly of the State, purchased two hundred and seventy and a half acres for £807 17s. 6d. Gilbert Drake, member of the New York Provincial Congress, acquired one hundred and seventy-one acres for £940. Stephen Ward, another one of the Commissioners of Sequestration from Westchester County, a firm patriot throughout the Revolution and, for many years, a judge of the County Court of Common Pleas, purchased one hundred and thirty-four acres for £569 10s. Frederick Van Cortlandt paid £315 for one hundred and five acres. Israel Honeywell junior, also one of the Commissioners of Sequestration, who represented Westchester County in the Assembly of the State, acquired five hundred acres for £1,737. Joseph Youngs, Jacob Purdy, William Davids, and James Requa were among the



other "esquires" of Westchester who came in for a share in the disposition of Philipse Manor.

Among the less substantial of Philipse's former tenants, several had contracted for the purchase of the farms in their possession but lacked the funds necessary to fulfill the conditions of payment. In 1786, James Requa, Gilbert Dean, and sixty-eight others, some of whom were former tenants on Philipse Manor, petitioned the Legislature for more time to meet their obligations to the State, some "having been exiles during the late War" and suffering "very heavy losses by the havoc and depredations of the enemies." They complained also of the ravages of "that insect" which prevented them from raising wheat as they "were accustomed to do."<sup>84</sup> Obtaining no relief from the Legislature, many were obliged to encumber their holdings with mortgages in order to raise the money needed for the discharge of their debts. Needless to say, the mortgagees were the men of wealth and high social and political standing. Among those most actively engaged in taking mortgages from Philipse's less substantial tenants were Governor George Clinton,<sup>85</sup> Philip Van Cortlandt,<sup>86</sup> James Dunlap,<sup>87</sup> James McEvers,<sup>88</sup> John Maley,<sup>89</sup> Dominick Lynch,<sup>90</sup> and Thomas Pearsall,<sup>91</sup> who found in these operations another lucrative field for the investment of surplus capital.

When former tenants were unable or unwilling to purchase the farms held by them prior to the Revolution, the Commissioners of Forfeitures disposed of the property at private sale or at public vendue to the highest bidders. Under such conditions, small freeholders and poor tenant-farmers were in no

<sup>84</sup> *Assembly Papers*, 26: 55.

<sup>85</sup> *Mortgages, Westchester Co., Lib. C*, pp. 349, 350, 351, 352.

<sup>86</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib. C*, p. 354; *Lib. D*, pp. 48, 49.

<sup>87</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib. C*, pp. 338, 348.

<sup>88</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib. C*, pp. 342, 343.

<sup>89</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib. C*, pp. 350, 351, 352, 353.

<sup>90</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib. D*, pp. 18, 19.

<sup>91</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib. D*, p. 27.

position to compete in the purchase of Philipse property with the Revolutionary leaders, wealthy landowners, merchant princes, and skillful land-jobbers of New York. The unfortunate experience of Michael Cortright, a tenant on Philipse Manor at the time of the Revolution, was not unusual. As he was not "in a capacity to purchase . . . Frederick Philipse's right and title" to the farm in his possession, "the same was then and there purchased" from the Commissioners of Forfeitures "by Abijah Hammond, who afterwards sold it to Gilbert Underhill." Cortright was dispossessed "agreeable to a Process of Law" and was offered but £40 for his improvements, estimated by him to have been worth £400. He petitioned the Legislature for the redress of his grievance, accompanying his petition with a certificate signed by several persons, setting forth their conviction that Cortright's improvements were "worth and cost the said sum of £400, and consequently the petitioner is an object deserving the attention and redress of the Honorable the Legislature."<sup>92</sup> The Comptroller, to whom the Assembly had referred Cortright's petition, reported that the petitioner "has not stated or produced any thing that gives him any claim against the State. His complaint is founded on a supposition that the compensation awarded by the arbitrators was inadequate to the value of his improvements. This was a matter in which the State had no interest." Whereupon, the Assembly ordered Cortright "to withdraw his petition."<sup>93</sup> Other tenants, unable to purchase the farms occupied by them, withheld the possession of the premises from the purchasers, forcing the latter to institute actions of ejectment in the courts. Thus, Ward Hunt, after purchasing farms tenanted by John Odell, Isaac Hammond, and John, Benjamin, and William Underhill,<sup>94</sup> was compelled "to institute suits at law and to

<sup>92</sup> *Assembly Papers*, 28: 142.

<sup>93</sup> *Assembly Journal*, Apr. 3, 1798, Jan. 28, 1799.

<sup>94</sup> The farms tenanted by John Odell, Isaac Hammond, and John Underhill were sold to Ward Hunt by the Commissioners of Forfeitures; and those tenanted by Benjamin and William Underhill had been conveyed to

have recourse to other legal measures to recover possession of the said farms.”<sup>95</sup> As on the DeLancey estate so here, poor tenants profited but little from the Revolutionary overturn.

Here as elsewhere, representatives of wealthy families with extensive social and political connections appeared as purchasers from the Commissioners of Forfeitures. John Lawrence purchased nine hundred and thirty acres for £8,539 5s. John Lamb acquired two hundred and two acres for £2,750. Philip Livingston bought two hundred and sixty-eight acres for £4,032. Pierre Van Cortlandt junior, active in the cause of American freedom and first lieutenant-governor of the State, paid £2,711 15s. for three hundred and fourteen acres.<sup>96</sup> Abijah Hammond, wealthy New York merchant, purchased two hundred and thirty acres for £1,472. Cornelius Ray, member of the New York Chamber of Commerce, paid £4,229 10s. for seven hundred and sixty-nine acres.<sup>97</sup> Morgan Lewis purchased one hundred and fourteen acres for £883 10s. The Honorable Richard Morris, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Judicature of the State of New York, acquired three hundred and eighty acres, for which he paid £1,524. Cornelius P. Low, New York merchant, purchased the manor house, which was the place of residence of Frederick Philipse, together with mills, stables, woodland, and a farm of about three hundred and twenty

Pierre Van Cortlandt junior, who sold them to Ward and Thomas Hunt (*ibid.*, Mar. 10, 1796; see also *Deeds, Westchester Co., Lib. L*, p. 426).

<sup>95</sup> *Assembly Papers*, 27: 284, 289; 28: 112. See below, p. 97.

<sup>96</sup> According to Couzens, Pierre Van Cortlandt junior also purchased two hundred and thirty-eight and a half acres, for which purchases there are no deeds on record in the Office of the Register. A conveyance executed by him on August 14, 1787 cites him as selling two farms in Philipse Manor, one comprising one hundred and thirty-one acres and the other one hundred acres, the two farms having been conveyed to him by the Commissioners of Forfeitures on December 22, 1785 (*Deeds, Westchester Co., Lib. L*, p. 426).

<sup>97</sup> According to Couzens, Ray also purchased two hundred and eighty-four acres, for which purchase there is no deed or certificate of sale on file in the Office of the Register.

acres, paying £14,520.<sup>98</sup> Gerard G. Beekman junior, who came of a prominent mercantile family and was a brother-in-law of General Philip Van Cortlandt, one of the Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Southern District, paid £9,040 for seven hundred and fifty acres.<sup>99</sup> Other New York merchants who purchased Philipse property from the Commissioners of Forfeitures were Henry Tiebout, Charles Duryea, Abraham Emmins, Andrew Bostwick, John Brevoort, Robert Johnston, and Lewis Ogden.

That the sale of the Manor of Philipsburgh in some three hundred and eleven conveyances was conducive to the advance of an agricultural democracy is unquestionable. But when it is considered that many of the purchasers of Philipse property were prosperous tenant-farmers, long in virtual possession of their respective farms, who can hardly be classed with the rank and file of poor yeomen, dependents, artisans, and landless laborers, and when it is recalled that many of the most conspicuous representatives of New York's commercial, landowning, and professional aristocracy played a prominent role in the disposition of the manor, it is evident that the equalizing and democratizing influence of the sale of this vast estate was more moderate than has generally been supposed.

Besides the estate of Frederick Philipse, the Westchester holdings of some fifty-three other loyalists were offered for sale. While the returns of the Commissioners of Forfeitures do not furnish complete information as to the disposal of each of these estates, a perusal of the available sources indicates the same tendency on the part of men of wealth and influence to acquire a large share of the properties. Many speculators, having come into possession of the certificates issued to the State troops in liquidation of their claims for pay by reason of the depreciation of the currency, readily availed themselves of the benefit of

<sup>98</sup> *Deed Books*, 27:7, Division of the Land Office of the Department of State, Albany.

<sup>99</sup> This conveyance is not cited in the *Abstracts of Sales* but is on record in *Deeds, Westchester Co., Lib. L*, p. 15.



the act of October 4, 1780, which had authorized the Commissioners to accept such certificates at the same rate with specie from persons applying for the purchase of confiscated lands. In this manner, Comfort and Joshua Sands located on the estate of James DeLancey of Westchester County; John Lawrence located on the estates forfeited by John Pell, Gilbert Miller, Miles Oakley, David Heustice, Frederick Devoe, and George Cornwell; Stephen Ward located on the lands of Nathan Whitn y, William Reed, Benjamin Hunt, Isaac Williams, Anthony Miller, Edmund Ward, and Joshua T. De St. Croix; Gerard G. Beekman located on the estates of Thomas Barker, Jonathan Wright, Jeremiah Travis, and James Holmes; Benjamin Walker located on the estates of Shubal Brush, Benjamin Lewis, and Zoar Cock; and Evert Bancker located on the lands forfeited by Caleb Frost, William Travis, and Benjamin Kipp. The estate of Joshua Pell in the Manor of Pelham fell to Isaac Guion, substantial merchant of New York. With the exception of one farm acquired by Gabriel Carman, a saddler, the extensive holdings of John Watts in the Manor of Cortlandt were bought in by his sons, Robert and John junior, "Gentlemen" of New York City. William Bayard's estate in the Manor of Cortlandt went to Nicholas Bayard, "Esquire," Peter Goetshius, physician, and Gilbert Van Cortlandt, merchant, as well as to Willets Dean and Abraham Lent, Westchester yeomen. The estate of John Bates fell to Richard Hatfield, Clerk of Westchester County; that of Lewis Holmes, to Charles McKnight, physician; and that of John Weeks, to Abraham Heyatt, "Esquire" of Westchester County, and to Theodosius Fowler and Gilbert Van Cortlandt, affluent New York merchants.

While it is true that the disposal of the loyalist estates effected a greater diffusion of ownership, it is questionable whether it went far toward a radical redistribution of landed wealth and a new social and economic order. Motivated by the desire for profit and by the feeling that the possession of landed estates was the firmest pillar on which the social distinction of their families could rest, the leaders of the Revolution, powerful



politicians, rich merchants, landowners, and speculators, many already possessed of substantial land holdings, contrived to get a large part of the loyalist estates into their own hands. Many belonged to wealthy old families whose influence was in no way lessened by the war. Others were newcomers who had acquired reputations or fortunes during the Revolution, rapidly filled the places left vacant in society by the old supporters of the Crown, and established close social and business connections with the many wealthy colonials who had survived the war. By reason of their wealth and through the new acquisitions of land at the expense of the Tories, they remained for many years a compact social group, contributed powerfully to the carry-over of colonial class distinctions, and exerted a strong influence on New York politics and political thought.<sup>100</sup>

<sup>100</sup> Consult the excellent studies of D. R. Fox, *The Decline of Aristocracy in the Politics of New York* (N. Y., 1919); R. A. East, *Business Enterprise in the American Revolutionary Era* (N. Y., 1938); and S. I. Pomerantz, *New York An American City, 1783-1803, A Study of Urban Life* (N. Y., 1938). For biographical information given in this and other chapters of this monograph, the writer has consulted a great mass of genealogical materials. The *Loyalist Transcripts*, the *New York Genealogical and Biographical Record*, Lorenzo Sabine's *Biographical Sketches of the Loyalists of the American Revolution* (2 vols., Boston, 1864), the *Dictionary of American Biography* and the family genealogies mentioned therein provided useful information on the loyalists. The occupations and social standing of purchasers of forfeited estates are often cited in the recorded deeds. Additional biographical information was gleaned from local histories, New York City directories, publications of genealogical societies, biographical dictionaries and many other works. Of these, the following proved most useful: E. P. Alexander, *A Revolutionary Conservative: James Duane of New York* (N. Y., 1938); *The Arts and Crafts in New York, 1726-1776, Advertisements and News Items from New York City Newspapers*, Mrs. R. S. Gottesman, compiler (N. Y., 1938); C. L. Becker, *History of Political Parties in the Province of New York, 1760-1776* (Madison, Wis., 1909); R. Bolton, *History of Westchester County*, 3rd ed., 2 vols. (N. Y., 1905); H. C. Brown, *Valentine's Manual of New York City*, 10 vols. (N. Y., 1916-1926); J. S. Davis, *Essays in the Earlier History of American Corporations*, 2 vols. (Cambridge, Mass., 1917); W. T. Davis, *The Conference or Billopp House, Staten Island, New York* (Staten Island, 1926); F. B. Dexter, *Biographical Sketches of Graduates of Yale College, with Annals of the College History*, 6 vols. (N. Y., 1885-1912); *Dictionary of American Biography*, Allen Johnson and

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## CHAPTER III

### SPECULATION IN LOYALIST ESTATES

ALMOST immediately after hostilities with the mother country had ceased the speculative fever rose to unprecedented heights and pervaded the whole population. Robert R. Livingston, writing to Governor Clinton in 1783, expressed intense anxiety over the fact that "the Eagle Eyes of speculation" were fastened on "the spoils of the public."<sup>1</sup> Foreigners then traveling in America took note of it. "Were I to characterize the *United States*," wrote one in 1796, "it would be by the appellation of the *land of speculation*."<sup>2</sup> It has been shown how this orgy of speculation was manifested at the sales held by the Commissioners of Forfeitures. A mere perusal of their returns, however, is an inadequate and often misleading guide to the actual disposal of the loyalist estates. To secure a true and well-rounded picture of what took place, it is necessary to penetrate behind the scenes, examine the conveyances executed by the purchasers as well as by the Commissioners of Forfeitures, and trace the histories of individual sales.

Powerful cliques of speculators often designated agents to purchase property from the Commissioners of Forfeitures and subsequently proceeded to partition, ballot for, and dispose of the lands bought in their behalf. Thus, a block of thirty-two lots on the West DeLancey Farm had been conveyed by the Commissioners to Nicholas Fish. A perusal of a later instrument, however, reveals the fact that these lots had been purchased by Fish "as well for himself as in trust and in behalf

1 *Public Papers of George Clinton, First Governor of New York, 1775-95, 1801-04* (Hugh Hastings, ed., 10 vols., 1899-1914), 8: 77-79, 109-10.

2 William Priest, *Travels in the United States of America, Commencing in the Year 1793 and Ending in 1797* (London, 1802), p. 132; see also La-Rochefoucault Liancourt, F.A.F. de, *Travels Through the United States of North America, the Country of the Iroquois, and Upper Canada in the Years 1795, 1796 and 1797* (2 vols., London, 1799), 1: 144.

of " Isaac Roosevelt, John Quackenbos, George Janeway, Henry Kip, and Evert Byvanck, " they being interested in the same tho the same is not specified in the conveyance afore-said." <sup>3</sup> According to the returns of the Commissioners of Forfeitures, lots 399 to 430 on the DeLancey estate were sold to John Quackenbos. It appears, however, that he, too, had purchased these lots " as well for himself as in trust and in behalf of " Isaac Roosevelt, George Janeway, Henry Kip, and Evert Byvanck, " they being interested in same " although it " is not so specified in the conveyance before mentioned." <sup>4</sup> In like manner, tracts 10, 15, and 20 on the East DeLancey Farm, comprising two hundred and seventy-six lots, were purchased by Quackenbos " for himself and in behalf of " Peter Ogilvie, Garret Abeel, and Comfort Sands, " they being all equally concerned in the purchase of the same." <sup>5</sup>

On the other hand, purchases made by several persons were often transferred to one of them. Thus, the two hundred and four lots on the West DeLancey Farm sold by the Commissioners to Nicholas Gouverneur, Lewis Ogden, and Peter Hill fell into the possession of Nicholas Gouverneur on May 29, 1792, when Ogden and Hill conveyed to him their two-thirds share.<sup>6</sup>

The loyalist estates afforded splendid opportunities for adventurous speculation. The speculators had one object in view—profit; and instead of working and developing their estates and thereby deriving a source of income, they sought merely to

<sup>3</sup> This block comprised lots 180 to 211. The purchasers proceeded to ballot for the property which had been purchased in common and paid Nicholas Fish for the lots falling into their possession: see *Deeds, New York Co.*, *Lib.* 43, p. 390; *Lib.* 51, p. 245; *Lib.* 278, p. 654.

<sup>4</sup> For the partition of the block, consult *ibid.*, *Lib.* 51, pp. 248, 251; *Lib.* 43, p. 387; *Lib.* 50, p. 219.

<sup>5</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib.* 56, p. 229. Likewise, Garret Abeel and Joseph Stringham had an interest in a parcel at Corlears Hook purchased by Quackenbos from the Commissioners of Forfeitures (*ibid.*, *Lib.* 46, p. 24).

<sup>6</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib.* 51, p. 64.



extract wealth indirectly from their fellows' pockets. Thus, in the subsequent history of Roger Morris's New York holdings, this speculative influence was clearly evident. On July 9, 1784 the Commissioners of Forfeitures sold Morris's one hundred and fifteen acre estate on Harlem Heights for £2,250 to John Berrien and Isaac Ledyard.<sup>7</sup> Within six months the property was advertised for sale.<sup>8</sup> Berrien's executors sold his half of the estate for £1,000 to Anthony L. Bleecker, merchant and real estate operator of New York.<sup>9</sup> The remainder fell into the hands of two London merchants, Theodore Hopkins and Michael Joy,<sup>10</sup> who sold their half interest for £1,000 to Anthony L. Bleecker.<sup>11</sup> The latter, in full possession, set about in search of buyers for this "pleasant and much admired seat" on Harlem Heights, affording "a prospect as extensive, varied and delightful as any to be met with in the United States" and providing "an eligible retreat for a gentleman fond of rural amusements and employments" and anxious "to pass the summer months with pleasure and comfort."<sup>12</sup> On September 25, 1793 he sold the property to William Kenyon, merchant, for £3,750, clearing a profit of £1,750.<sup>13</sup> But Kenyon was not to be so fortunate. On August 29, 1799 he conveyed his purchase, together with other lands and tenements in New Harlem, for £3,000 to Leonard Parkinson, merchant of the Island of Jamaica.<sup>14</sup>

<sup>7</sup> *Ibid.*, Lib. 47, p. 452.

<sup>8</sup> *Loudon's New York Packet*, Dec. 9, 1784.

<sup>9</sup> *Deeds, New York Co.*, Lib. 47, p. 453.

<sup>10</sup> The records in the Office of the Register do not show how Hopkins and Joy came into possession of the premises. In 1788 they advertized the property for sale (*New York Packet*, June 6, 1788). On October 31, 1791 they empowered Leonard M. Cutting, attorney, and John Hoope, merchant, to lease or sell their one-half interest in the Morris estate (*Deeds, New York Co.*, Lib. 47, p. 454).

<sup>11</sup> *Ibid.*, Lib. 47, p. 456.

<sup>12</sup> *New York Daily Advertiser*, Mar. 31, 1792.

<sup>13</sup> *Deeds, New York Co.*, Lib. 58, p. 491.

<sup>14</sup> *Ibid.*, Lib. 57, p. 354.



Before returning to England, Parkinson had his estate on Harlem Heights surveyed and laid out in lots,<sup>15</sup> and executed a power of attorney to his son, who remained in New York to dispose of his holdings.<sup>16</sup> The entire estate was sold to wealthy merchants, and Parkinson's profits were enormous. One lot went to Gerardus Post for \$3,540;<sup>17</sup> another, to Robert C. Smith for \$5,625;<sup>18</sup> a third, to Ebenezer Burrill for \$8,277.50;<sup>19</sup> two others, to John R. Murray for \$10,278.28;<sup>20</sup> and the ten remaining lots, together with the luxurious Morris Mansion, to Stephen Jumel for \$19,927.50.<sup>21</sup> The last named, a Frenchman, came from a family of Bordeaux merchants. Driven from the Island of Santo Domingo by the insurrection of the negroes, Jumel landed in New York in 1795 and quickly took first rank with the wealthy merchants of the city. After coming into possession of the bulk of the Morris estate, Jumel added to his holdings by the purchase of adjacent tracts. Thus, on May 3, 1814 he purchased from Gerardus Post for \$3,700 the parcel which the latter had acquired from Parkinson.<sup>22</sup> The following year Jumel sold one tract for \$5,495 to John R. Murray,<sup>23</sup> who mortgaged the

15 "A Map of the Estate of Leonard Parkinson, Esquire, at Harlem Heights, surveyed and laid out in lots by Charles Loss, County Surveyor, March 1, 1810," in the Office of the Register, New York County. The lots and acreage were: no. 1, 48 acres, 20 perches; no. 2, 37 acres, 2 rods; no. 3, 33 acres, 1 rod, 25 perches; no. 4, 34 acres, 15 perches; no. 5, 39 acres, 1 rod; no. 6, 29 acres, 2 rods; no. 7, 20 acres, 2 rods; no. 8 (containing the Morris Mansion), 36 acres, 1 rod; no. 9, 7 acres; no. 10, 6 acres, 3 rods; no. 11, 6 acres, 2 rods; no. 12, 6 acres; no. 13, 5 acres, 2 rods; no. 14, 6 acres, 2 rods, 20 perches; and no. 15, 6 acres, 2 rods.

16 *Deeds, New York Co., Lib. 86*, pp. 59, 62.

17 *Ibid.*, *Lib. 87*, p. 253 (lot no. 6).

18 *Ibid.*, *Lib. 87*, p. 262 (lot no. 2).

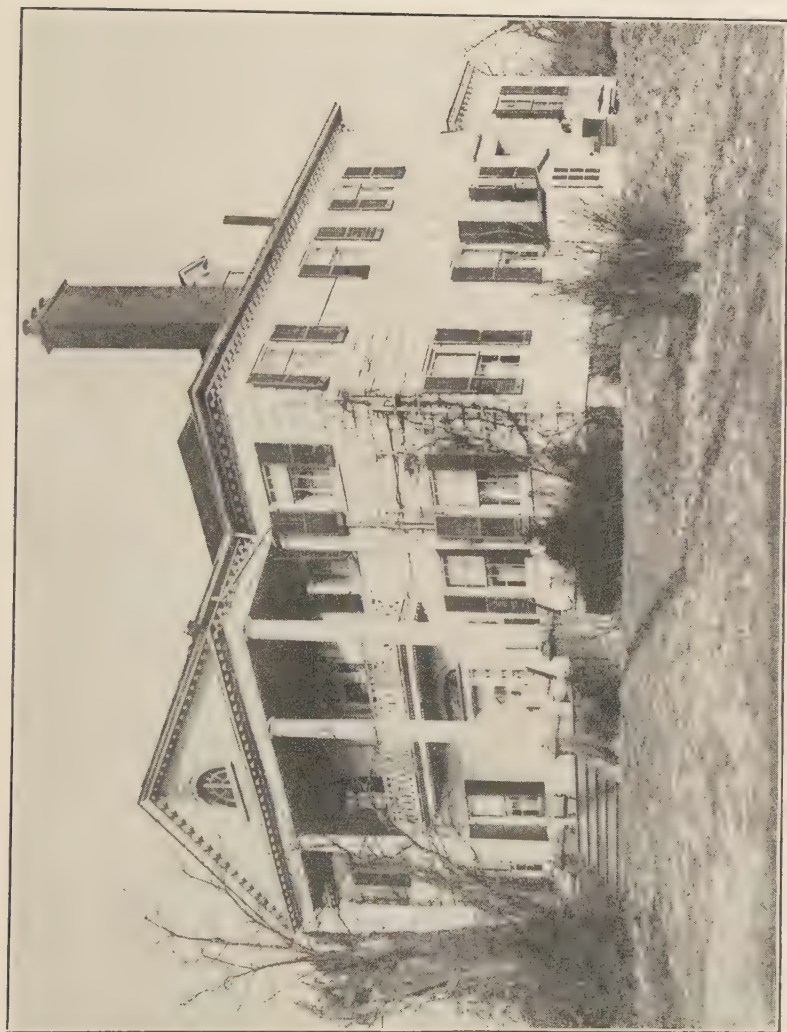
19 *Ibid.*, *Lib. 91*, p. 362 (lot no. 1).

20 *Ibid.*, *Lib. 98*, p. 167 (lot nos. 3 and 4).

21 *Ibid.*, *Lib. 98*, pp. 79, 86 (lot nos. 5, 7-15).

22 *Ibid.*, *Lib. 106*, p. 261.

23 *Ibid.*, *Lib. 109*, p. 306 (lot no. 5).



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premises for the payment of the purchase price. When Murray failed to discharge his debt, it was decreed at a Court of Chancery held on September 25, 1821 that the mortgaged premises be sold at auction;<sup>24</sup> and on October 30, 1821 the tract was sold at the Tontine Coffee House in New York City for \$2,900 to Francis Berger,<sup>25</sup> who bought it "in trust and to and for the sole use and benefit of Stephen Jumel."<sup>26</sup> Thanks to his unscrupulous wife, the famous Eliza Brown, Jumel was not to reap the rich harvest which he had sown. Through a series of legal transactions and real estate transfers, Madame Jumel robbed her husband of all his property. After her death in 1865, the heirs, legitimate and illegitimate, battled for the estate. With the reading of her will, there followed a period of litigation which extended for nearly two decades, absorbing the great estate until the resident heirs were shorn of everything except the Jumel Mansion and the grounds surrounding it.<sup>27</sup>

The DeLancey estate, too, became a rich mine for active speculation. John R. Livingston, who continued the mercantile and real estate interests of his prominent family, appeared repeatedly in the market, buying DeLancey real estate which the Commissioners had already conveyed to others. Thus, he paid Isaac Roosevelt £2,000 for three blocks (of twenty-four lots each), which Roosevelt had purchased from the Commissioners, together with an additional block of twenty-eight lots, for £1,240.<sup>28</sup> An extensive tract on the East Farm forfeited by Thomas Jones and purchased by Morgan Lewis for £970 was

<sup>24</sup> *Jumel v. Murray and others*, Chancery BM 713 J, Office of the Commissioner of Records, New York County (Hall of Records).

<sup>25</sup> *Deeds, New York Co., Lib. 329*, p. 599.

<sup>26</sup> *Ibid.*, Lib. 208, p. 160.

<sup>27</sup> For an interesting account of the more notable occupants of the house built by Roger Morris on Harlem Heights, particularly the Jumels, see W. H. Shelton, *The Jumel Mansion* (Boston & New York, 1916).

<sup>28</sup> *Deeds, New York Co., Lib. 49*, p. 13.

sold by the latter to John R. Livingston for £5,000.<sup>29</sup> The latter paid Janet Montgomery £4,160 for tract 21 on the West Farm,<sup>30</sup> which she had purchased from the Commissioners for only £540. Likewise he purchased from Nicholas Fish for £1,000 of the 3% stock of the United States tract 14 and half of tract 12 on the West Farm,<sup>31</sup> for which Fish had paid the Commissioners £908. While those who conveyed their purchases to Livingston netted a profit on their initial investments, their returns were in no way comparable with the tremendous fortune which he acquired from a more skillful disposal of the parcels which had come into his possession. He shrewdly held the property into the nineteenth century, when the growth of the city effected a decided increase in the value of real estate. He then proceeded to sell not in whole blocks to rival land-jobbers, but rather in small city lots to actual settlers. His sales ran into the forties of the nineteenth century, and his profits were well-nigh incalculable.<sup>32</sup>

Others were no less expert in their real estate manipulations. Besides his direct acquisitions at the Commissioners' sales, Abijah Hammond, wealthy merchant, appeared as a purchaser on a grand scale, buying tracts 27 and 28 on the West DeLancey Farm from John Quackenbos,<sup>33</sup> tract 29 from William Denning and Adam Gilchrist,<sup>34</sup> and tract 19 from Joseph Hal-

<sup>29</sup> *Ibid.*, Lib. 47, p. 376.

<sup>30</sup> *Ibid.*, Lib. 55, p. 399.

<sup>31</sup> *Ibid.*, Lib. 47, p. 371.

<sup>32</sup> See below, p. 154.

<sup>33</sup> *Deeds, New York Co.*, Lib. 47, p. 481. Quackenbos had purchased tract 27 for £1,294 and tract 28 for £2,300. He sold tract 27 and half of tract 28 to Hammond (Oct. 1, 1791) for £839. He sold the other half of tract 28 to William Constable, one of New York's leading merchants, on May 18, 1786 for £480 (*ibid.*, Lib. 44, p. 517). Constable conveyed this parcel to Abijah Hammond (Sept. 24, 1791) for £480 (*ibid.*, Lib. 47, p. 479).

<sup>34</sup> Denning and Gilchrist had paid the Commissioners of Forfeitures £1,292 for tract 19, comprising one hundred and thirty-six lots. They sold it to Hammond (Sept. 15, 1789) for £1,045 ros. (*ibid.*, Lib. 47, p. 477).



lett,<sup>35</sup> in each case paying considerably less than the amount paid by the original purchasers, and proceeding to lay out and convey these extensive tracts in city lots. Although Alexander Macomb, New York's most enterprising "land-grabber," was not among the purchasers from the Commissioners of Forfeitures, he was to play a conspicuous rôle in the subsequent history of the loyalist estates. Of the DeLancey property, he purchased from Garret Abeel three parcels at Corlears Hook,<sup>36</sup> the three-fourths share of Quackenbos, Abeel, and Sands in tracts 10, 15, and 20,<sup>37</sup> and an adjacent tract from Daniel Phoenix and Joseph Hallett.<sup>38</sup> Though his many and varied security and real estate projects proved somewhat premature and, like so many other speculators of the time, he landed in a debtor's prison, his ventures in loyalist estates often brought rich returns. Thus, paying Phoenix and Hallett but £448 for tract 16 on the East DeLancey Farm, he sold the easterly half, November 18, 1804, to John Lovett, inn-holder, for \$10,000.<sup>39</sup>

Morgan Lewis could well afford to convey DeLancey property to his relatives "for and in consideration of natural love and affection,"<sup>40</sup> for his transactions also proved most fruitful. Paying the Commissioners only £970 for an extensive tract and buildings of Thomas Jones on the East DeLancey

35 Hallett had paid the Commissioners £480 for this tract. He sold it to Hammond on March 27, 1793 for £392 (*ibid.*, *Lib.* 49, p. 231). Hammond conveyed this tract to Martin Hoffman (no record of price), who sold it to Nicholas Gouverneur on April 10, 1795 for £1,600 (*ibid.*, *Lib.* 50, p. 470).

36 *Ibid.*, *Lib.* 46, pp. 19, 24.

37 Quackenbos had paid the Commissioners £4,794 for these tracts. He, Abeel, and Sands sold their three-fourths share to Macomb for £2,369 (*ibid.*, *Lib.* 46, pp. 15, 17, 21, 27). Peter Ogilvie did not sell his share. On February 7, 1786 Quackenbos, for £1,198 paid him by Ogilvie, conveyed unto the latter "in his actual possession" his one-fourth share of tracts 10, 15, and 20 (*ibid.*, *Lib.* 56, p. 229).

38 Phoenix and Hallett had paid the Commissioners £840 for this tract. They sold it to Macomb on May 1, 1787 for £448 (*ibid.*, *Lib.* 46, p. 29).

39 *Ibid.*, *Lib.* 79, p. 401.

40 *Ibid.*, *Lib.* 62, p. 94; *Lib.* 431, p. 317; *Lib.* 441, p. 512.

Farm, he sold the property (February 3, 1792) to John R. Livingston for £5,000.<sup>41</sup> By holding his purchases for several decades before offering them for sale, Lewis realized even more striking profits. Thus, having acquired tract 8 and half of tract 17 for £874 at the Commissioners' sales, he kept the property in the family. Not until the twenties and thirties of the nineteenth century did he throw tract 8 on the market, having first partitioned the plot into city lots. That his profits were tremendous need scarcely be occasion for surprise. Thus, Archibald M. Lucas, a wheelwright, paid him \$1,350 for two lots within this tract;<sup>42</sup> Samuel Skidmore, a house carpenter, \$2,300 for two lots;<sup>43</sup> Patrick Martin, a cartman, \$4,300 for three lots;<sup>44</sup> Henry T. Wells, a cabinet maker, \$1,150 for one lot;<sup>45</sup> and Margaret Phillips, a widow, \$2,500 for one lot.<sup>46</sup>

Similar returns awaited all those who wisely held their purchases until the turn of the century before offering them for sale. Thus, the eight lots for which Henry Ten Brook had paid the Commissioners £116 he sold (May 1, 1798) to Jacob I. Arden, a butcher, for £1,100.<sup>47</sup> The latter's son, Jacob S. Arden, a physician, conveyed his father's purchase (May 23, 1806) for \$8,000 to William Van Wyck, "Gentleman" of Dutchess County, and Samuel Van Wyck, New York attorney.<sup>48</sup> The Van Wycks, after erecting houses on some of these lots, cleared a handsome profit in disposing of them during the next two decades.<sup>49</sup> On March 17, 1806 Dominick Lynch sold

<sup>41</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib.* 47, p. 376.

<sup>42</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib.* 187, p. 449.

<sup>43</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib.* 192, p. 242; *Lib.* 194, p. 430.

<sup>44</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib.* 196, p. 331; *Lib.* 215, p. 461.

<sup>45</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib.* 198, p. 430.

<sup>46</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib.* 348, p. 326; see also *Lib.* 351, p. 45.

<sup>47</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib.* 72, p. 484 (lots 431-34, 459-62 of the DeLancey estate).

<sup>48</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib.* 72, p. 487.

<sup>49</sup> Thomas C. Pearsall purchased a house and lot (Feb. 17, 1810) for \$2,875 (*ibid.*, *Lib.* 161, p. 114; see also *Bayard-Campbell-Pearsall Papers*,

to Henry Astor, John Pell, and Daniel Winship, butchers, for \$16,000 a block of thirty-two lots which he had picked up at the Commissioners' sales for only £1,760.<sup>50</sup> Pell and Winship conveyed their share to Astor,<sup>51</sup> who proceeded to lease and sell in individual lots the property thus acquired. Of the six lots for which Marinus Willett had paid the Commissioners £96, he sold four (June 4, 1804) to Thomas Post, cooper, for \$2,300.<sup>52</sup> On January 27, 1806 Abijah Hammond sold to David Dunham, auctioneer, for \$3,717 a tract which he had purchased for £350.<sup>53</sup>

These speculative tendencies were not restricted to New York; they were equally evident in all the counties. The Comfort and Joshua Sands purchase of one hundred and sixty acres of John Rapalje's estate in Brooklyn served as the basis of a gigantic enterprise in real estate speculation which ran through the first three decades of the nineteenth century and afforded rich returns to all the principals.<sup>54</sup> Aquila Giles, hav-

*New York City Land Papers*, box 3); Samuel Martin, a butcher, bought a house and lot (Apr. 25, 1815) for \$2,500 (*Deeds, New York Co., Lib. 109*, p. 102); George W. Varian, another butcher, bought two lots (Feb. 1, 1816) for \$2,200 (*ibid., Lib. 114*, p. 67); Jacob J. Doremus, a blacksmith, purchased one lot (Feb. 20, 1826) for \$1,000 (*ibid., Lib. 200*, p. 308); James Cardwell, a cartman, bought a house and lot (May 1, 1811) for \$2,000 (*ibid., Lib. 92*, p. 196); and John Lovell and Peter Valentine, butchers, each paid \$3,000 for a house and lot purchased April 10, 1810 (*ibid., Lib. 98*, p. 53; *Lib. 101*, p. 306).

<sup>50</sup> *Ibid., Lib. 249*, p. 552.

<sup>51</sup> On April 3 and April 16, 1806 Pell and Winship conveyed their share in this block, comprising lots 1357-88 on the DeLancey estate, to Astor for \$9,666.66 (*ibid., Lib. 249*, pp. 553, 555).

<sup>52</sup> *Ibid., Lib. 68*, p. 199 (lots 1446-49 on the DeLancey estate).

<sup>53</sup> *Ibid., Lib. 73*, p. 296 (lots 1075-78 and lots F and G on the DeLancey estate).

<sup>54</sup> To secure the payment of \$50,000 which he owed to the Bank of New York, Comfort Sands mortgaged half the property on June 15, 1787. On July 9, 1798, he sold the mortgaged premises for \$60,000 to Henry Sands, attorney, subject to the said mortgage. When Comfort and Henry Sands failed to discharge their debt, the Bank of New York foreclosed the

ing purchased from Morgan Lewis for £600 a house and eighty acres of John Rapalje's property,<sup>55</sup> sold the premises (September 13, 1794) to Brockholst Livingston for £1,500.<sup>56</sup> The latter, in turn, conveyed the property to Adolphus Brower, Brooklyn farmer, on May 1, 1799 for £2,500.<sup>57</sup> In like manner, Joseph Robinson, "Esquire" of Jamaica, having paid Israel Wells £1,500 for George Duncan Ludlow's estate on Hempstead Plains,<sup>58</sup> sold the property the same day (September 8, 1792) to John H. Thompson, New York merchant, for £2,000.<sup>59</sup> On April 30, 1802, Thompson conveyed the property to James Utten, merchant, for \$12,500.<sup>60</sup>

But ambitious projects in loyalist real estate did not always prove successful, although it is difficult to ascertain the extent of loss since the value of money was considerably enhanced soon after the Commissioners' sales. Thus, in selling to Macomb their three-fourths share in tracts 10, 15, and 20 on the East DeLancey Farm, Quackenbos, Abeel, and Sands suffered a loss of £1,235. Likewise Phoenix and Hallett lost £392 on their sale of tract 16 to Macomb. William W. Gilbert conveyed to Isaac Stoutenburgh for £180 the eighteen lots for

mortgage; and a Court of Chancery ordered the public sale of the mortgaged premises (*Deeds, Kings Co., Lib. 7, p. 170; Lib. 8, p. 131*). Like the other venturesome land-jobbers of the day, Comfort, Henry, and Joshua Sands partitioned the property into lots and reaped large profits by disposing of them in small parcels. For an abstract of the sales executed by Joshua, Comfort, and Henry Sands, as well as those executed by Thomas Cooper, Master in Chancery, for the payment of the debt which Comfort and Henry Sands owed to the Bank of New York, see below, p. 156.

<sup>55</sup> *Deeds, Kings Co., Lib. 24, p. 142*. Lewis had paid the Commissioners £1,300 for this property. In buying the property for £600, Giles assumed the discharge of the balance due on a mortgage for £300 which Lewis had executed to the loan officers of Kings County. The subsequent purchasers, Livingston and Brower, also bought the property subject to this mortgage.

<sup>56</sup> *Ibid., Lib. 24, p. 144*.

<sup>57</sup> *Ibid., Lib. 24, p. 146*.

<sup>58</sup> *Deeds, Queens Co., Lib. F, p. 135*.

<sup>59</sup> *Ibid., Lib. F, p. 139*.

<sup>60</sup> *Ibid., Lib. H, p. 211*.

which he had paid £720.<sup>61</sup> Similar situations occurred in the rural counties. On December 26, 1787 Benjamin Floyd sold to Daniel Robert, New York physician, for £2,750 that portion of his brother's forfeited estate in Suffolk County which he had purchased from the Commissioners for £3,112.<sup>62</sup> On Philipse Manor, John Lawrence sold to Benjamin Oakley (August 29, 1791) for £150 a sixty-five acre farm which he had acquired for £282 15s.<sup>63</sup> The sixty-nine acre farm which Abijah Hammond had purchased for £828, he sold to Gilbert Underhill for £220;<sup>64</sup> and the one hundred and sixty-one acre farm for which he had paid £664, he conveyed for £300 to John Hall, who had tenanted this farm prior to the Revolution.<sup>65</sup> In like manner, Morgan Lewis sold to John Dusenbury, yeoman, for £300 the one hundred and fourteen acre farm which he had purchased for £883 10s.<sup>66</sup> The forty acre parcel which Abraham Lent, merchant of Dutchess County, had purchased for £840, he sold to James Archer of Westchester County for £150.<sup>67</sup> Cornelius P. Low never occupied the manor house and farm for which he had paid £14,520. On May 12, 1786 he mortgaged the property to William Constable, leading merchant of New York. The latter, by indenture bearing the date of April 29, 1796, sold to Jacob Stout, "Gentleman" of New York City, for £13,000 the manor house, mills, stables, and three hundred and twenty acre farm which Low had mortgaged, together with a twenty-eight acre parcel in Yonkers and twenty acres of a forty-one acre tract which David Hunt had purchased from the Commissioners of

61 *Deeds, New York Co., Lib. 243*, p. 371 (lots 501-18 on the DeLancey estate. Date of sale, Oct. 26, 1787).

62 *Deeds, Suffolk Co., Lib. C*, p. 160.

63 *Deeds, Westchester Co., Lib. K*, p. 302.

64 *Ibid., Lib. L*, p. 238.

65 *Ibid., Lib. 364*, p. 319.

66 *Ibid., Lib. M*, p. 100.

67 *Ibid., Lib. K*, p. 190.



Forfeitures and which had come into Constable's possession.<sup>68</sup> Stout conveyed the property to Joseph Howland of Norwich, Connecticut, who became involved in financial difficulties and petitioned for the discharge of his debt. At a Court of Chancery held on February 23, 1813, it was decreed that the property be sold at the Tontine Coffee House in New York City; and on April 20, 1813, Lemuel Wells, "Gentleman" of New York City, purchased the property for \$56,000.<sup>69</sup> By sundry other conveyances, the title to the greater part of the property became vested in the city of Yonkers, the manor house serving as the Yonkers City Hall until 1911, when this relic of colonial times was surrendered to the custody of the American Scenic and Historic Preservation Society.

So intense was the speculative fever that it even infected the lower strata of society. While some profited by their transactions, it is to be noted that their holdings often found their way again into the hands of speculative merchants and prominent landowners, thereby further lessening whatever democratizing tendencies the sale of the loyalist estates might have effected. Thus, the four lots which Lemuel Bunce, joiner, had purchased for £82, he sold (October 10, 1794) for £400 to Samuel Delaplaine, "Gentleman" of New York City.<sup>70</sup> Philander Forbes, a widow, who had purchased a house and lot for £490, sold them (November 11, 1795) for £1,035 to John DeWint junior, New York merchant.<sup>71</sup> Of the six lots which Luke C. Quick, measurer of grain, had purchased for £342, he sold two for £600 to David Mitchelson, merchant,<sup>72</sup> and two others for \$4,000 to David Lydig, also a New York mer-

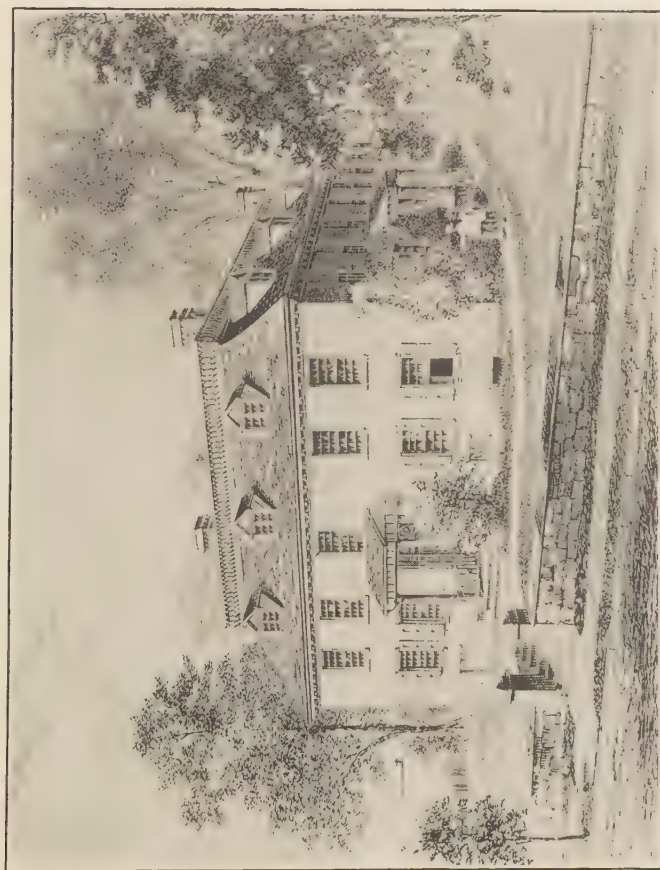
<sup>68</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib. M*, p. 318.

<sup>69</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib. Q*, p. 155.

<sup>70</sup> *Deeds, New York Co.*, *Lib. 85*, p. 188 (lots 1775-78 on the DeLancey estate).

<sup>71</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib. 48*, p. 34.

<sup>72</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib. 50*, p. 22 (lots 98 and 125 on the DeLancey estate. Date of sale, Feb. 8, 1794).



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chant.<sup>73</sup> Likewise Anthony Post, a carpenter, had purchased a lot for £77 and sold it (July 31, 1801) for \$2,337.50 to William Baker, lumber merchant.<sup>74</sup> The situation in the rural counties was quite similar. Thus, James DeClarke, Westchester farmer, had purchased from the Commissioners of Forfeitures for £675 the two hundred and twenty-five acre farm in Philipse Manor which had been tenanted by him prior to the Revolution. On December 8, 1798 he sold the premises for \$3,000 to William Edgar, business associate of Alexander Macomb and brother-in-law of William Constable.<sup>75</sup> Edgar's grandson sold the property (June 7, 1832) for \$13,000 to Joseph Anthony Constant, "Gentleman" of New York City.<sup>76</sup> The two hundred and sixty-two acre farm in Philipse Manor which James Hammond and George Combs, former tenants of Frederick Philipse, had purchased for £786, they sold, together with three and three-quarters acres of salt meadow, for £825 to one Roelof Van Houton, Greenburgh farmer,<sup>77</sup> who, in turn, conveyed the property for \$7,500 to John Cumberland, New York merchant.<sup>78</sup> Cumberland sold it (March 30, 1814) to John E. Burrill and Isaac Marquand, New York merchants, for \$18,000;<sup>79</sup> and they, in turn, conveyed it (January 1, 1815) for \$16,000 to Bernardus Swartwout junior, "Gentleman" of Westchester County.<sup>80</sup>

<sup>73</sup> *Ibid.*, Lib. 213, p. 260 (lots 99 and 124 on the DeLancey estate. Date of sale, Apr. 30, 1806).

<sup>74</sup> *Ibid.*, Lib. 60, p. 546 (lot 8 on the DeLancey estate). On Feb. 22, 1809 Baker sold this lot, together with a house erected on it, for \$4,500 to John Robins, merchant (*ibid.*, Lib. 82, p. 205). Two days later, the latter conveyed the property to William Hall, ship-master, for \$4,875 (*ibid.*, Lib. 82, p. 207).

<sup>75</sup> *Deeds, Westchester Co.*, Lib. 45, p. 196.

<sup>76</sup> *Ibid.*, Lib. 46, p. 200.

<sup>77</sup> *Ibid.*, Lib. L, p. 185.

<sup>78</sup> *Ibid.*, Lib. Q, p. 127.

<sup>79</sup> *Ibid.*, Lib. Q, p. 316.

<sup>80</sup> *Ibid.*, Lib. S, p. 144.

Despite frequent changes of ownership, men of wealth often retained their grip on the loyalist estates well into the nineteenth century. Note, for example, the chain of title to a parcel of land in New York County, part of the estate forfeited by Thomas Jones. The original grantee from the Commissioners of Forfeitures was Morgan Lewis, who conveyed the property to John R. Livingston. The latter sold the parcel (May 3, 1827) for \$2,010 to John Ewing,<sup>81</sup> who mortgaged the premises to secure the payment of \$1,000.<sup>82</sup> Livingston assigned Ewing's mortgage to the Globe Insurance Company.<sup>83</sup> In the meantime, Ewing had sold the parcel for \$2,525 to John O'Brien Richards, coal merchant,<sup>84</sup> who mortgaged it to the Mutual Insurance Company.<sup>85</sup> Richards assigned his estate, including this parcel, to Henry F. Edmonds, who was authorized to sell the property and apply the proceeds to the payment of his creditors.<sup>86</sup> On August 6, 1830 the Globe Insurance Company filed a bill in a Court of Chancery to foreclose Ewing's mortgage, and all persons having any interest in the mortgaged premises were made parties.<sup>87</sup> It was decreed (February 8, 1831) that the premises be sold at auction; and on March 18, 1831, Anthony Lamb, son of John Lamb, purchased the property for \$4,975, "he being the highest bidder for the same."<sup>88</sup> Of sundry lots originally purchased by George Taylor, four came into the possession of William Laight, merchant, who sold the premises (January 3, 1806) for \$3,000 to John Jacob Astor, wealthy merchant and land operator.<sup>89</sup> These

<sup>81</sup> *Deeds, New York Co., Lib. 221*, p. 187.

<sup>82</sup> *Mortgages, New York Co., Lib. 101*, p. 337.

<sup>83</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib. 102*, p. 567.

<sup>84</sup> *Deeds, New York Co., Lib. 221*, pp. 183, 185.

<sup>85</sup> *Mortgages, New York Co., Lib. 109*, p. 373.

<sup>86</sup> *Deeds, New York Co., Lib. 246*, p. 506.

<sup>87</sup> *Lamb Papers, Gen. Anthony Lamb, N. Y. City, 1799-1855*.

<sup>88</sup> *Deeds, New York Co., Lib. 271*, p. 355.

<sup>89</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib. 78*, p. 376 (lots 1135-38 on the DeLancey estate). There is no record of the conveyance from Taylor to Laight.



lots were still in Astor's possession at the time of his death in 1848, when his executors conveyed them, together with his other New York holdings, to his grand-children.<sup>90</sup>

Moreover, like the Tory landlords whom they displaced, the Livingstons, the Gouverneurs, the Beekmans, the Roosevelts, the Lambs, and other representatives of New York's aristocracy of wealth often resorted to the leasing of the loyalist estates in their possession. Thus, Morgan Lewis, on January 15, 1825, gave to Esther Tompkins a forty-two year lease on a parcel forfeited by James DeLancey.<sup>91</sup> On March 26, 1836 James Lenox, New York merchant, leased to Noah Tompkins, carpenter, four lots on the DeLancey estate for fourteen years at a yearly rental of \$500, with the privilege of renewal for an additional term of fourteen years.<sup>92</sup> In the thirties of the nineteenth century, Anthony Lamb was actively engaged in leasing his DeLancey holdings for twenty-one year terms, with the privilege of one or two renewals, to William Ryerson, Benjamin Perine junior, Samuel H. Bessey, Jonathan A. Gibbs, John Whelps, James Kelly, Thomas Fanning, Joseph Whitehead, and William Clark.<sup>93</sup> This practice of granting leases afforded the owners a lucrative source of income and, at the same time, enabled them to remain for many years in possession of their holdings, the value of which rose steadily.

In the subsequent history of the loyalist estates, then, men of wealth and influence played as conspicuous a rôle as they did at the sales held by the Commissioners of Forfeitures. But while some tenaciously retained their grasp on their purchases, most of them, as speculators and land-jobbers interested in

<sup>90</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib.* 685, p. 1.

<sup>91</sup> On February 1, 1836 Lewis assigned this lease to Margaret Phillips, to whom he sold the lot for \$2,500 (*ibid.*, *Lib.* 348, p. 326; *Lib.* 351, p. 45).

<sup>92</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib.* 357, p. 26; see also *N. Y. City Lands-Misc. MS Materials* (Ludlow Street).

<sup>93</sup> *Lamb Papers* (*Misc. Land Papers, 1788-1804*), *Land Book*, pp. 72-73.

profits from sales, proceeded to dispose of their holdings in small parcels during the course of the nineteenth century. It was in this manner that the loyalist estates slowly filtered into the hands of the lower classes, but not until the shrewd land-owners, merchants, and speculators had reaped a golden harvest.

## CHAPTER IV

### THE LIQUIDATION OF CLAIMS AGAINST AND IN BEHALF OF LOYALIST ESTATES

IN providing for the proscription of the loyalists and the confiscation of their property, the State also assumed their liabilities. From the proceeds of the sales of the loyalist estates, the legitimate claims of patriot-creditors were liquidated. By the act of attainder of October 22, 1779, the State Treasurer was directed to keep an exact record of the sales executed by the Commissioners of Forfeitures, to the end that, when the Legislature should authorize the discharge of debts due from the loyalists, the amount of the monies arising from the sale of their respective estates "may with the greater ease be ascertained."<sup>1</sup> But no further action was taken until after hostilities with the mother country had ceased.

By the act of May 12, 1784,<sup>2</sup> the Legislature instituted machinery for the liquidation of claims against those loyalists whose estates had been forfeited by their attainder or conviction. On the petition of any persons who had been inhabitants of New York on July 9, 1776 "and hath not been attainted or convicted," the courts<sup>3</sup> were "to examine and hear, and according to equity and good conscience to determine" their claims against any forfeited estates by reason of any debts contracted prior to the above date. If the examination and adjustment of any accounts proved too intricate, the judges

<sup>1</sup> *Laws*, 3d sess., ch. 25.

<sup>2</sup> *Ibid.*, 7th sess., ch. 64.

<sup>3</sup> The certification of claims against loyalist estates was entrusted to the Court of Chancery and the Supreme Court of the State, the Mayor's Court, and the Court of Common Pleas in each city or county wherein such estates were located. Any one of the judges of the Supreme Court or any two of the judges of any of the other courts could examine the claims and certify the sums due in each case.

could avail themselves of the services of auditors. On ascertaining the claims of creditors, the judges were to certify in writing the sums due in each case and were to deliver one copy each of such certificates to the claimants and another to the State Treasurer. The latter, upon receiving from the Commissioners of Forfeitures "a just and true account" of the complete sale of any estate, was to notify the creditors, by advertisements published not less than thrice in two or more newspapers, to exhibit their accounts. Those neglecting to comply with this requisition within four months after the first publication of such notice were "to all intents and purposes whatsoever absolutely debarred and forever precluded" from the benefit of this act. The Treasurer was to discharge the amount of such claims by granting interest-bearing certificates which were to be receivable, at the same rate with gold and silver, for taxes thereafter to be levied or for purchases of loyalist estates and waste and unappropriated lands within the State. But if the proceeds of the sales of any forfeited estate were insufficient to satisfy all the claims, the creditors were to be given certificates in proportion to the sums certified to be due to each of them. Claimants were to pay "reasonable fees" to the judges, auditors, and witnesses for their services in auditing, adjusting, and certifying their accounts, and were to declare under oath that they had not received nor expected to receive "any part of the debt . . . by any ways or means whatsoever" except as provided for them by this act.

Availing themselves of the benefit of this act, the creditors appeared in the courts, exhibited unpaid bills, account books, and records of bonds and mortgages, and demanded the certification of their claims to enable them to secure satisfaction from the State Treasurer. Thus, Chief Justice Richard Morris, on June 29, 1785, certified that Gabriel H. Ludlow and Charles Shaw, merchants, produced to him in writing "a certain account against Frederick Philipse" on the debit side of which there appeared to be a balance of £263 15s. 11d. The petitioners, being "severally sworn on the Holy Evangelists

of Almighty God, did severally depose and say that they were and for a long time past had been Merchants, Partners, and Joint dealers " and that the account exhibited by them " was just and true both as to the debit and credit sides thereof," as appeared from their account books which they also produced, and that they " had not, nor had either of them, directly or indirectly received any part or parcel thereof, or any consideration therefor." Whereupon, Judge Morris, " having examined the said account," certified that the sum of £263 15s. 11d. " appears to be due " to Ludlow and Shaw from the estate of Frederick Philipse. In November, 1788, Charles Shaw, surviving copartner of the House of Ludlow & Shaw, declared under oath that he " has not received nor expects to receive or secure any part of the debt or demand which is awarded and certified to be due to them in the manner mentioned in the foregoing certificate by any ways or means whatsoever—the provision made for them in the above mentioned act only excepted." Thereupon, Gerard Bancker, the State Treasurer, gave Shaw six certificates amounting to £263 15s. 11d. " in full for the demand within certified." <sup>4</sup> In this way, all claims were examined; and those found valid were certified and paid.<sup>5</sup>

In the liquidation of claims against loyalist estates, numerous problems inevitably arose. Well into the nineteenth century the Legislature was swamped with memorials requesting the settlement of claims which, for various reasons, could not receive judicial certification. There was the usual problem of those who had neglected, through ignorance, to exhibit their claims within the time allowed by law. Thus, one creditor complained that he lived " on an Island in the East River " and was " thereby prevented from taking the newspapers, by which means he was ignorant of the notice published by the treasurer " ordering claimants to present their accounts. An-

<sup>4</sup> *Rev. MSS.*, Vol. 46, box 1.

<sup>5</sup> For a record of the liquidation of claims against loyalist estates in the Southern District, see below, p. 166.



other, "living in a remote part of the Country and not reading newspapers," had "patiently waited in expectation of receiving his debt," and "was entirely ignorant" of the Treasurer's notices. Others, though they had applied to the Treasurer for the payment of their claims within the time prescribed by law, "neglected to call upon him at the time mentioned in the advertisements published by him for that purpose."<sup>6</sup> Seldom did the Legislature afford relief in such cases.

As for those creditors who were prevented from exhibiting their claims in time through unavoidable circumstances, the Legislature was more liberal. John Alsop, New York merchant, to whom William Bayard had been indebted by bond contracted prior to the Revolution, sent the original bond to England "hoping thereby to obtain his debt." When Bayard refused to pay, Alsop, not having recovered the original bond, presented a notarial copy in the Supreme Court "as proof of his debt."<sup>7</sup> As he did not think himself authorized to admit the claim upon the evidence of the copy and "as there was a possibility that the same might be paid in England," Chief Justice Morris refused to certify Alsop's demand on Bayard's estate.<sup>8</sup> When the Chief Justice finally did authorize payment on the basis of the notarial copy, the time fixed by the Treasurer for the exhibition and proof of claims had already expired. Credibly informed that the proceeds of the sale of Bayard's estate were "ample and sufficient to the discharge of his just debts due to the citizens of this State," Alsop petitioned the Legislature for relief.<sup>9</sup> Responding favorably to his petition, the Legislature gave Alsop three months in which to present his claim for certification.<sup>10</sup>

<sup>6</sup> *Rev. MSS.*, Vol. 45, box 1, Vol. 46, box 1.

<sup>7</sup> *Assembly Papers*, 26: 275.

<sup>8</sup> *Ibid.*, 26: 183.

<sup>9</sup> *Ibid.*, 26: 237.

<sup>10</sup> *Laws*, 13th sess., ch. 23 (Mar. 9, 1790).

Even more interesting was the case of Cadwallader Colden, son and surviving executor of Cadwallader Colden, loyalist lieutenant-governor of New York on the eve of the Revolution. His claim for £1,015 11s. 8d. against the estates forfeited by John Weatherhead and John Tabor Kempe had been certified by Chancellor Robert R. Livingston. Informed that he "might in all probability obtain payment" from his debtors, Colden forwarded his notes to England, where his agent collected £800 from Weatherhead and Kempe. On applying to the State Treasurer for the residue, Colden was informed that his receipt of £800, "however beneficial to the State," prevented him from taking the oath prescribed for those applying for the liquidation of claims. He therefore petitioned for a legislative provision directing the Treasurer to pay him £215 11s. 8d., "being the balance justly due him."<sup>11</sup> The Legislature, granting his petition, directed the Treasurer to pay him the residue, provided there were still in the treasury sufficient funds from the estates forfeited by Weatherhead and Kempe.<sup>12</sup>

Those who had given security for bonds executed by friends, relatives, or business associates who subsequently espoused the royal cause were held accountable by the creditors. Pressed for payment on these bonds, they petitioned the Legislature for relief, which was generally granted by the discharge of these obligations out of the monies arising from the sales of the estates forfeited by such loyalists. Thus, on February 15, 1765 James McEvers, New York merchant, had given security on a bond for £2,620 executed by William Bayard to one Henry Cuyler. The principal and considerable interest were

<sup>11</sup> *Assembly Papers*, 27: 80.

<sup>12</sup> *Laws*, 16th sess., ch. 6 (Dec. 18, 1792). It was the opinion of Gerard Bancker, the State Treasurer, that "it was much against Mr. Colden's interest to receive any part of his demand in Europe," because the compensation certificates which he would have received from the State were "exchangeable, principal and interest, for six per cent stock" (*Assembly Papers*, 27: 75).

still due when Bayard was attainted and his estate forfeited. When, after the Revolution, the heirs and devisees of James McEvers were made liable for the payment of this debt, they petitioned for relief. Thereupon, the Legislature directed the Chancellor or any of the justices of the Supreme Court to ascertain the sum which was to be paid out of the estate forfeited by William Bayard in the discharge of the bond.<sup>13</sup>

It is of interest to note that citizens of other states could not secure the certification and liquidation of their claims against loyalists whose estates had been forfeited in New York State, for the act of May 12, 1784 stipulated that claimants must have been inhabitants of New York on July 9, 1776. Thus, Thomas Rice, to whom George Muirson had been indebted in the sum of £234, could not secure satisfaction on his claim because he was a citizen of New Haven, Connecticut.<sup>14</sup> Indignant at the discriminatory character of this act, other states retaliated by enacting similar measures. Thus, the Legislature of New Jersey, on November 23, 1785, forbade the Treasurer to "pay or discharge any demands, or issue certificates for any debts, which may have been settled and adjudged to be due to any of the Inhabitants of the State of New York from any person whose estate hath been forfeited" in New Jersey, "unless particularly directed thereto by a Resolution of both Houses of the Legislature."<sup>15</sup> Persons like Garrett Van Horne, David M. and Matthew M. Clarkson, John Charlton, Wright Post, and others whose business activities had extended beyond the limits of New York protested vigorously against this state of affairs.<sup>16</sup> The committee to which was referred the petition of these persons reported that it could not "discover a sufficient reason for discriminating between the

<sup>13</sup> *Laws*, 16th sess., ch. 6 (Dec. 18, 1792).

<sup>14</sup> *Assembly Papers*, 25: 187.

<sup>15</sup> *Laws of New Jersey*, 3d sess., ch. 99.

<sup>16</sup> *Assembly Papers*, 27: 97; *Assembly Journal*, Mar. 2, 1790, Feb. 4, 1791, Jan. 12, 1792.

citizens of this State, and others of any other of the United States." The committee was, therefore, of the opinion that "provision ought to be made, in cases where surpluses of forfeited estates remain in the Treasury, for extending the benefit of the act aforesaid to the citizens of the United States in general; with these restrictions, that the operation thereof should be suspended with respect to the citizens of the State of New Jersey" until the Legislature of that State repealed its act of November 23, 1785, and that "the operation thereof shall also be suspended with respect to any other of the United States which has enacted similar laws, until the repeal of the same."<sup>17</sup> Although the Assembly concurred with the committee in its report, no relief was forthcoming. The same petty jealousies and discriminatory practices which cursed every phase of inter-state relations during the critical period seem to have been manifested in this case to a marked degree.

While creditors turned to the courts and the State Treasurer for the liquidation of their claims, persons indebted to the loyalists were obliged to make their payments to the State.<sup>18</sup> Early in the war the Revolutionary authorities took steps to have debts due to Tories lodged in the State treasury. Thus, on February 11, 1777, when Gilbert Drake applied "for leave to deposit . . . into the Treasury of this State" the £75 which he owed on a bond to William Lounsbury, a loyalist who had joined the ranks of the enemy, the Committee of Safety thought it reasonable that Drake "should be relieved from the risk of keeping the said money." The Vice-Treasurer of the State was directed to receive the money and give Drake a receipt for it. This receipt was to "operate as a full discharge of the said bond, both in law and equity"; and the money so deposited in the treasury was to be applied "in such manner as the Convention or a future Legislature shall direct."<sup>19</sup>

<sup>17</sup> *Assembly Papers*, 27: 91; *Assembly Journal*, Jan. 16, 1792.

<sup>18</sup> For a record of payments made to the State in discharge of debts due to loyalists from the Southern District, see below, p. 178.

<sup>19</sup> *Jour. N. Y. Prov. Cong.*, 1: 802.

On March 1, 1777 a comprehensive policy was adopted to cover such cases. The Committee of Safety resolved that all those whose creditors had either left the State or had remained within the power of the enemy could discharge their debts by paying them to the Treasurer or Vice-Treasurer of the State, who was to give receipts for all monies so received and to answer all drafts drawn upon him by the proprietors of the monies deposited in the Treasury, "where such proprietors shall appear to reside in any place not within the power of the enemy." But the drafts of creditors who did reside within the British lines were not to be paid "without the express permission of the Convention, or some person or persons authorized by them or some future Legislature of this State to grant the same."<sup>20</sup> It was further resolved that the bills of credit emitted by the Continental Congress, the late Provincial Congress of New York, or the Convention of the State might be used in the discharge of all debts. Creditors refusing such bills in payment, after the same had been tendered in the presence of two reputable freeholders, were to forfeit one-fourth of such debts to the State; and the debtors could then deposit the bills in the treasury in discharge of their obligations.<sup>21</sup>

Tory creditors often refused to accept these bills in payment. Whereupon, their debtors, anxious to pay their debts in these depreciated public securities, eagerly availed themselves of the benefits of this resolution of the Committee of Safety. Thus, John Osburn of Westchester County swore before Gerard Bancker, the State Treasurer, on May 14, 1779, that he was indebted by bond and mortgage to Ezekiel Hawley in the sum of £350 "or thereabout," that he had "tendered the sum to the said Ezekiel Hawley in the presence of Abijah Gilbert and Ephraim Grummon, two reputable freeholders, and in the monies directed by a Resolution of a Committee of Safety of the 1st March 1777—and the said Ezekiel Hawley refused to

<sup>20</sup> *Ibid.*, 1: 818-19.

<sup>21</sup> *Ibid.*, 1: 819.



receive the same.”<sup>22</sup> Paying the money into the treasury in pursuance of the above-mentioned resolution, Osburn was absolved from further obligation.<sup>23</sup>

Those whose creditors were within the British lines at New York also availed themselves of this opportunity to discharge their debts by paying the State with depreciated public securities. Thus, on April 22, 1779 Jonathan Deane personally appeared before Gerard Bancker and declared under oath that he stood indebted by bond and mortgage to Charles Inglis, Rector of Trinity Church, in the sum of £536 10s., that he was informed and verily believed that the said Charles Inglis was “in the City of New York or in some part occupied by the British Army,” and that he, therefore, applied “to have the same debt paid into the Treasury pursuant to the Resolution of a Committee of the Safety of the 1st March, 1777.”<sup>24</sup> That same day Bancker recorded in his books: “To Rev<sup>d</sup>. Charles Inglis—Rec<sup>d</sup>. from Jonathan Deane so much he owed him—£536 10s.”<sup>25</sup>

With the proscription of the loyalists, the State assumed ownership of all accounts due them. By the act of May 12, 1784, persons indebted to loyalists whose estates had been forfeited were given six months in which to discharge their debts to the State. After the expiration of the time allowed for payment, the Commissioners of Forfeitures were empowered to “demand, sue for, and recover” all such debts, together with “the interest money due and to grow due thereon.”<sup>26</sup> That the State might not be cheated by unscrupulous debtors, the Commissioners of Forfeitures often had the county clerks search for records of bonds and mortgages which had been executed to the loyalists. Thus, Richard Hatfield, clerk of

<sup>22</sup> *Rev. MSS*, Vol. 46, box 1.

<sup>23</sup> *N. Y. State Treasurer's Journal*, 2: 195.

<sup>24</sup> *Rev. MSS*, Vol. 45, box 2.

<sup>25</sup> *N. Y. State Treasurer's Journal*, 1: 217, 2: 193.

<sup>26</sup> *Laws*, 7th sess., ch. 64.

Westchester County, searched for mortgages against and to one hundred and twenty-seven persons whose estates had been confiscated,<sup>27</sup> for which services he was paid £6 7s. by the State.<sup>28</sup>

Despite all precautions, however, many contrived to defraud the State. On May 1, 1786 the Legislature gave debtors another year in which to settle with the State, during which period the Commissioners of Forfeitures were not to commence any suits and were to stay all proceedings in suits already commenced for the recovery of such debts.<sup>29</sup> Notwithstanding the length of time given for the discharge of their obligations, many continued to withhold payment. In an effort to seek out such delinquents, the Legislature resorted to an extraordinary measure. By an act of March 21, 1788, those persons who produced to the Treasurer evidence, in the form of bonds, bills, or other contracts, that debts due to attainted or convicted loyalists had not been paid into the Treasury and who discharged such debts themselves were empowered to institute action against the delinquent debtors for the recovery of the sum paid by them, together with lawful interest from the time of such payment.<sup>30</sup>

The discovery of debtors was the most difficult but not the only problem which beset the State in its appropriation of the debts due to loyalists. The latter had often acted as trustees or executors and had taken bonds in their own names for debts due to innocent persons. With the proscription of such loyalists, debtors often unwittingly discharged their obligations to the State. The errors were not discovered until the innocent creditors commenced suits at law for the recovery of the monies to which they were entitled. Realizing the justice of their claims, the Legislature stipulated in the act of March 21,

<sup>27</sup> *Rev. MSS*, Vol. 45, box 1.

<sup>28</sup> *N. Y. State Treasurer's Accounts*, box 1, p. 389.

<sup>29</sup> *Laws*, 9th sess., ch. 58.

<sup>30</sup> *Ibid.*, 11th sess., ch. 90.

1788 that debts contracted with loyalists as executors or in trust for persons who were not attainted or convicted "shall not be forfeited or considered as forfeited to the people of this State."<sup>31</sup> For a long time the Legislature was kept busy rectifying such misapprehensions, refunding to debtors money erroneously paid to the State or assigning such money to the rightful creditors. Thus, prior to the Revolution, Henry Clapp owed £240 11s. 5d. on a bond held by Elizabeth Clarkson. Upon her death, William Axtell, one of her executors, renewed this bond in his own name, but actually "for the use and benefit of the children of the said Elizabeth Clarkson deceased, who were then minors." On April 30, 1787 Clapp paid £306 1s. 2d. into the treasury,<sup>32</sup> "being the amount of the principal and interest then due on the said last mentioned bond as forfeited to the people of this State by the attainder of the said William Axtell." David M. Clarkson and Matthew M. Clarkson, the only children of Elizabeth Clarkson, petitioned the Legislature for redress.<sup>33</sup> Whereupon, the Treasurer was directed to pay them £306 1s. 2d., with interest at 5% from April 30, 1787, which payment was to be in full discharge and satisfaction of the said bond.<sup>34</sup> Similarly, Henry Lambert had paid the Treasurer £70 10s. in discharge of a bond supposed to have been executed to Frederick Philipse.<sup>35</sup> It was subsequently learned that the bond had been given to Philipse and others as executors for one Charles Williams, deceased.<sup>36</sup> As this bond was not affected by the attainder of Philipse, the Legislature directed the Treasurer to return to Lambert the £70 10s. which he had paid into the treasury.<sup>37</sup>

<sup>31</sup> *Ibid.*

<sup>32</sup> *N. Y. State Treasurer's Day Book*, p. 188.

<sup>33</sup> *Assembly Journal*, Nov. 20, 1792.

<sup>34</sup> *Laws*, 17th sess., ch. 26 (Mar. 22, 1794).

<sup>35</sup> *N. Y. State Treasurer's Day Book*, p. 100.

<sup>36</sup> *Assembly Journal*, Feb. 2, 1790.

<sup>37</sup> *Laws*, 14th sess., ch. 51 (Mar. 24, 1791). On April 13, 1791, Lambert acknowledged receipt of £70 10s. pursuant to this law (*Rev. MSS*, Vol. 46, box 2).

The assumption of the loyalists' assets created still another problem. Under the existing laws county clerks could not discharge the entry of mortgages registered in their offices without authorization by certificates signed by the mortgagees. Mortgages executed to persons whose estates were subsequently forfeited could not be cancelled, for the mortgagors could not secure the requisite certificates. To remedy this situation, the Legislature enacted a law in November, 1784 to enable the county clerks to cancel the records of such mortgages on proof that the mortgagors had discharged their debts to the State. By this act, those who had mortgaged their properties to persons subsequently attainted or convicted and who wished to discharge their mortgages could apply to the courts for certificates indicating the sums due. On paying into the treasury the monies certified as due, they were to have receipts from the Treasurer. The county clerks were then to cancel the records of such mortgages by entering into their books of mortgages memoranda of the certificates received from the courts and the Treasurer.<sup>38</sup> Thus, Richard Hatfield, in his search for mortgages given to persons whose estates were forfeited, found a record of a mortgage executed by Andrew Miller to John Watts for securing the payment of £306 5s.<sup>39</sup> On February 24, 1785, the Honorable Ebenezer Purdy, one of the judges of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas of Westchester County, "duly enquired" into the demands on this mortgage. On examining "all the proofs, evidences, and vouchers" respecting this mortgage, Judge Purdy certified that £490 5s. 11d. remained due for principal and interest.<sup>40</sup> With the payment of this sum into the treasury,<sup>41</sup> the record of this mortgage was

<sup>38</sup> *Laws*, 8th sess., ch. 18.

<sup>39</sup> *Rev. MSS*, Vol. 45, box 1; see also *Mortgages, Westchester Co., Lib. A*, p. 51.

<sup>40</sup> *Rev. MSS*, Vol. 45, box 2.

<sup>41</sup> *New York State Treasurer's Journal*, 2:338. In discharging this mortgage, John Strang, acting in behalf of Andrew Miller, paid into the treasury £498 15s. 11d. Gerard Bancker, on recording the receipt of the

cancelled.<sup>42</sup> In this way all mortgages executed to attainted and convicted loyalists were discharged.

Besides the satisfaction of all claims against loyalist estates, the State was put to the additional expense of supporting the superannuated negroes on such estates. The loyalist proprietors, on their departure from New York, carried off or disposed of such of their slaves as were serviceable, but the aged and infirm were often left behind. The Commissioners of Forfeitures were directed to utilize the monies arising from rents in making "suitable provision for the support and maintenance" of such slaves.<sup>43</sup> By an act of May 1, 1786, the Legislature provided for the manumission of all those slaves who had become the property of the State through the banishment of their masters; and the Commissioners of Forfeitures were required "to provide for the comfortable subsistence of all such slaves so forfeited in their respective districts as by age or infirmity" had become "unable to gain a subsistence."<sup>44</sup> With the termination of the office of the Commissioners of Forfeitures, the task of supporting these old and disabled slaves devolved upon the overseers of the poor. By an act of March 2, 1792, the Treasurer was directed "to pay unto the overseers of the poor of any town" the money expended by them in the maintenance of these superannuated negroes. The latter were to be supported in the same manner as other poor of the town; and the overseers, before receiving payment, were to submit accounts of their expenditures, certified by the supervisor and justices of the town, for examination by the State Auditor.<sup>45</sup>

Thus, David Hunt of Westchester County charged the State £203 13s. for supporting Tom and Mary, "two old, helpless above sum, noted that "from want of Certificates to make the payment exact" Strang overpaid £8 9s. 11½d. (*Rev. MSS*, Vol. 45, box 2).

<sup>42</sup> *Mortgages, Westchester Co., Lib. C*, p. 199.

<sup>43</sup> *Laws*, 7th sess., ch. 64 (May 12, 1784).

<sup>44</sup> *Ibid.*, 9th sess., ch. 58.

<sup>45</sup> *Ibid.*, 15th sess., ch. 17.



negroes, late the property of Frederick Philipse," from October 13, 1786 to January 17, 1790, and £69 12s. for the maintenance of Cato, "another old negro belonging to the said Estate," from October 13, 1786 to April 1, 1791. The Commissioners of Forfeitures paid Hunt £230 12s. 11d., leaving a balance of £42 12s. 1d. Hunt later added £3 to his bill for "Expenses attending the funerals of two negroes." On March 31, 1791, Isaac Stoutenburgh certified that Hunt's account was "just and according to an agreement made with the Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Southern District." Upon examination and certification of this account by the State Auditor, Gerard Bancker paid Hunt £45 12s. 1d. "in full of the within account and pursuant to the above audit."<sup>46</sup> On June 8, 1795 the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Oyster-Bay submitted a bill for £24 "for the board, washing, lodging, and some clothing for an old Negro by the name of Guinea, who was formerly the property of Richard Floyd of Suffolk, from the 11th day of May, 1794 to the 11th of May, 1795."<sup>47</sup> On September 18, 1802, they were paid \$130.75 "for the support of Guinea" from May 1, 1801 to August 28, 1802.<sup>48</sup> On April 1, 1795, the Trustees of Brookhaven charged the State £30 for one year's maintenance "in victuals, clothes and lodging for Dick, a superannuated negro," and "for Rose, a negro Wench," formerly belonging to the estate of Richard Floyd. The following year, in addition to the £15 charged for a year's support of Dick "in victuals, drink, cloaths & lodging," the Trustees of Brookhaven requested £2 10s. for "medicines supplied him during an illness of two months."<sup>49</sup> As late as 1818 the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Yonkers submitted their accounts for the maintenance of Caesar and

<sup>46</sup> *Rev. MSS*, Vol. 45, box 1.

<sup>47</sup> *Ibid.*, Vol. 46, box 1.

<sup>48</sup> *Day Book No. 2—Comptroller's Office*—p. 221.

<sup>49</sup> *Rev. MSS*, Vol. 46, box 1.

Betty, negro slaves, "late the property of Frederick Philipse." <sup>50</sup>  
In this way the old and helpless negroes, formerly the property of Frederick Philipse, Richard Floyd, John Rapalje, Robert Bayard, Daniel Kissam, and Parker Wickham, were supported until their death.

<sup>50</sup> *Ibid.*

## CHAPTER V

### LITIGATION INVOLVING LOYALIST ESTATES

THE disposal of the loyalist estates resulted in innumerable complications, the disentangling of which occupied the attention of the courts and other State agencies well into the nineteenth century. One of the most vexing problems confronting purchasers of confiscated estates was the difficulty they often experienced in their efforts to take possession of the lands they had acquired. Those holding title under attainted or convicted loyalists, former tenants unable to avail themselves of the benefits of preemption accorded them by law, and those who squatted on the estates of loyalists after their banishment often remained steadfast in the possession of their holdings and compelled the purchasers from the Commissioners of Forfeitures to institute suits at law to eject them.

Most interesting were the suits brought by Thomas McFarren against seventeen persons in unlawful possession of the properties in Richmond County which he had purchased at the Commissioners' sales. It has been shown how Christopher Billopp and Benjamin Seaman had disposed of their holdings after their attainder and how the Commissioners of Forfeitures, deeming these sales void, conveyed the entire Billopp estate and a large part of Seaman's Richmond holdings to Thomas McFarren. When those claiming title under these attainted loyalists refused to surrender the possession of the property, McFarren, "by advice and direction" of the Commissioners, instituted actions of ejectment in the Supreme Court.<sup>1</sup> According to the testimony presented by the plaintiff,

<sup>1</sup> *Assembly Papers*, 27: 2. According to the court records, the defendants in McFarren's actions of ejectment were Samuel Ward, Jacob Reckhow, Benjamin Drake, Albert Ryckman, Edmund Wood, John Mance, Andrew Prior, James Churchward, Joseph Totten, Lawrence Hillyer, James Johnson, Isaac Lackerman, Garbey Merrill, John Decker, Jacob Decker, Edmund Seaman, and Barent Pew.

when the occupants of the Billopp estate refused to surrender the premises to him, the Commissioners of Forfeitures, pursuant to the directions of the act of May 12, 1784, "were compelled to resort to the proceedings upon the Statutes of Forcible Entry and Detainer." But these proceedings "proved altogether ineffectual by reason . . . of the strong prejudice entertained by the Jury who sat upon the Inquest against the right of the People of this State to the said lands in consequence of the attainder of the said Christopher Billopp."<sup>2</sup> This prejudice appears to have originated in an opinion that no act of the State Legislature could confiscate lands lying within the power of the British government at the time such act was passed. As the British were in full possession of Staten Island from 1776 until 1783, the act of attainder of October 22, 1779 "could not effect a forfeiture of any lands" on Staten Island.<sup>3</sup> According to McFarren, this idea was "entertained by the Generality of the Inhabitants of the said County of Richmond." Convinced that "a fair, indifferent and impartial Jury for the trial of this cause" could not be had in Richmond, McFarren petitioned that the case be tried in another county; and the Supreme Court, sharing his conviction, granted his request.<sup>4</sup> When the jury found the defendants "guilty of the trespass and ejectment" of which McFarren complained, the Supreme Court, after due deliberation, rendered judgment for the plaintiff and awarded him £101 10s. 5d. for his expenses in prosecuting his suit.<sup>5</sup> Precisely the same proceedings took place in McFarren's action for the evic-

<sup>2</sup> *McFarren v. Ward and others, Parchment Rolls*, 147 K 8.

<sup>3</sup> *Pleadings 1754 to 1837—J 776* (Office of the Commissioner of Records, New York Co., Hall of Records). Richmond County was a strong Tory center even before the British occupation. No doubt, this accounts for the hostile attitude of the inhabitants toward the State's confiscatory programme.

<sup>4</sup> *Minute Book of the Supreme Court of Judicature*, Aug. 5, 1786, Oct. 19, 1786. The case was tried before a jury summoned by the sheriff of Kings County.

<sup>5</sup> *McFarren v. Ward and others, Parchment Rolls*, 125 C 4.

tion of those claiming title under Colonel Billopp's father-in-law, Benjamin Seaman.<sup>6</sup>

Defeated in the courts, the defendants appealed to the Legislature for redress.<sup>7</sup> The committee to which their petition was referred was of the opinion "that whether the peculiar situation of Richmond County, when it fell within the power of the British army," could "entitle the petitioners to protection under the general treaty of peace" was a matter which it could not take into consideration. The committee found that in other cases where persons had purchased property from attainted loyalists it was required that such purchasers, "to retain their possessions and obtain titles," had been "under the necessity of repurchasing from the commissioners for the State." It was, therefore, the opinion of the committee that "the prayer of the petition cannot, consistent with the general interest of the State and the laws relative to forfeitures and attainder, be granted." The Assembly concurred with the committee in this report.<sup>8</sup> The land records of Richmond County do not present a clear picture of the subsequent history of the Billopp and Seaman estates. It appears that the defendants, rebuffed by the Legislature as well as by the courts, repurchased their holdings from McFarren and remained in possession. Thus, on March 9-10, 1790, Caleb Ward, whose father had purchased from Billopp three hundred and seventy-three acres of the Manor of Bentley for £3,730,<sup>9</sup> repurchased the premises from McFarren for £1,800.<sup>10</sup>

<sup>6</sup> *McFarren v. Hillyer and others, Parchment Rolls*, 174 B 3; *Minute Book of the Supreme Court of Judicature*, Aug. 5, 1786, Oct. 19, 1786, Jan. 17, 1788, Apr. 24, 1788. For his costs in prosecuting this suit, McFarren was awarded £95 14s. 10d. (*McFarren v. Hillyer and others, Parchment Rolls*, 176 G 6).

<sup>7</sup> *Assembly Journal*, Jan. 21, 1790.

<sup>8</sup> *Ibid.*, Feb. 5, 1790.

<sup>9</sup> *Deeds, Richmond Co., Lib. E*, p. 132.

<sup>10</sup> *Ibid.*, *Lib. E*, p. 344; *Lib. F*, p. 540. On March 10, 1790, Caleb Ward executed a bond to McFarren for the payment of £600. When Ward failed to discharge his debt, McFarren brought suit in the Supreme Court. Judg-



For McFarren, the whole episode resulted in the blasting of his speculative hopes. Notwithstanding his triumph in the courts, McFarren was bitterly disappointed. The Supreme Court had awarded him but £197 5s. 3d. for the costs and damages which he had sustained in prosecuting his suits against the seventeen trespassers on his property. In his petition to the Legislature for relief, he complained that he had expended "near two thousand pounds in prosecuting the said several suits," besides the loss of six years' interest on the money which he had paid the Commissioners for the premises.<sup>11</sup> As for his request for compensation for his loss of interest on the purchase money, the committee to which his petition was referred reported that "the law is already adequate to give compensation." As for his demand for compensation for his disbursements in acquiring possession of the property, the committee declared that no evidence had been presented to prove "that the extraordinary expense was necessarily incurred." The Assembly concurred with the committee in its report that "the prayer of the petition ought not to be granted."<sup>12</sup>

As has already been stated, former tenants on loyalist estates who were unable to purchase from the Commissioners the farms occupied by them sometimes withheld the possession of the premises from the purchasers, forcing the latter to institute actions of ejectment in the courts. Thus, when Philipse Manor was exposed to sale, John Odell, Isaac Hammond, and John, Benjamin, and William Underhill did not avail them-

ment was rendered in favor of the plaintiff, who was awarded £5 16s. 6d. for the damages which he had sustained "as well by occasion of the detention of that debt as for his costs and charges" in prosecuting his suit. In 1800 McFarren "acknowledged himself to be satisfied by the aforesaid Caleb Ward of the debt and damage aforesaid." Whereupon, the Supreme Court "let the aforesaid Caleb Ward of the debt and damages aforesaid be Quieted" (*McFarren v. Ward*, *Parchment Rolls*, 131 G 8, 144 A 1.).

<sup>11</sup> *Assembly Papers*, 27:2; see also *Assembly Journal*, Mar. 2, 1789, Mar. 20, 1790, Feb. 23, 1791.

<sup>12</sup> *Assembly Papers*, 27:1, 3; *Assembly Journal*, Feb. 28, 1791.

selves of the benefit of preemption of purchase to which they were entitled by the confiscatory legislation. Thereupon, the Commissioners sold the farms tenanted by John Odell, Isaac Hammond, and John Underhill to Ward Hunt, and those tenanted by Benjamin and William Underhill to Pierre Van Cortlandt junior, who, in turn, conveyed his purchase to Ward and Thomas Hunt. After having acquired title to these farms, Ward Hunt was compelled "to institute suits at law and to have recourse to other legal measures to recover possession of the said farms."<sup>13</sup> His petition to the Legislature for reimbursement of the money expended by him in his actions of ejectment against the occupants<sup>14</sup> was referred to a committee, which reported that the petitioner was entitled to relief. Although the Assembly concurred with the committee in this report,<sup>15</sup> no action was taken. The following year Hunt's petition reappeared on the Assembly's agenda and was referred to the Attorney General for his opinion.<sup>16</sup>

In his examination of the petition, the Attorney General found that Hunt had actually expended £64 os. 9d. in prosecuting his suits, that he also claimed an expenditure of £30, "for which no voucher appears, it being stated that the same has been lost," and that he had "purchased the possession and improvements of the said farms," paying £93 8s. at the times stated in his account. In passing judgment on Hunt's request for compensation, the Attorney General concerned himself with two distinct questions, first, whether the State was bound to defray the expenses of the prosecutions commenced by him, and secondly, whether the State should reimburse him the money which he had expended in the purchase of the improvements on these farms from the former occupants. His decision on both these questions was based on his interpretation

<sup>13</sup> *Assembly Papers*, 27: 284, 289; 28: 112.

<sup>14</sup> *Assembly Journal*, Mar. 17, 1795.

<sup>15</sup> *Ibid.*, Mar. 18, 1795.

<sup>16</sup> *Ibid.*, Feb. 9, 1796.

of the act of May 12, 1784. According to the first section of this act, all deeds executed by the Commissioners of Forfeitures were "to operate as a warrantee from the people of this State . . . against all claims, titles and incumbrances whatsoever." In the opinion of the Attorney General, "the legal construction of such warranty would authorize claim for indemnity thereon only in cases of lawful interruptions, and such warranty does not affect claims altogether illegal." In other words, the warranty contained in this act authorized indemnification only in cases where purchasers of forfeited estates or those holding under them were ejected from or were unable to take possession of the premises because the State's title was proven faulty. As the detention of the property in this instance appeared to the Attorney General to have been "unjustifiable and tortious" and as the law afforded ample remedy to the injured person, Hunt had no case against the State. By another section of the act of May 12, 1784, purchasers of forfeited lands could proceed against persons in unlawful possession upon the statutes of forcible entry and detainer. In the opinion of the Attorney General, Hunt "was acquainted with these circumstances at the time of the purchase and probably relied on the remedy provided in and by the said act." The Assembly approved of the Attorney General's report that, in view of these facts, "the State is not bound by the legal construction of the warranty . . . to pay to the petitioner the amount of the costs and expenses incurred by him in the prosecutions aforesaid, much less for the payment of certain sums of money expended by him in procuring the improvements and possession of the lands so purchased by him as aforesaid."<sup>17</sup>

But despite this adverse judgment of the Attorney General and its endorsement by the Assembly, Hunt persevered in his efforts to obtain compensation. Some two years later his petition reappeared in the Assembly and was referred to the

<sup>17</sup> *Ibid.*, Mar. 10, 1796.

Comptroller for his report thereon.<sup>18</sup> The Assembly approved of the Comptroller's report that "the petitioner is not entitled to any relief from the State" because, as the Attorney General had declared two years earlier, the warranty contained in the act of May 12, 1784 did "not extend to costs or expenses of suit against trespassers." The law afforded adequate remedy against such persons; and Hunt's relinquishing that remedy, or not pursuing it, gave him no right "to resort to the State."<sup>19</sup>

Purchasers of forfeited estates were, themselves, not infrequently ousted from their holdings by persons claiming the premises under superior titles. Employing skilled lawyers, the loyalists or their relatives often brought suit in the courts against those holding under the Commissioners of Forfeitures and succeeded in retrieving their properties. In all cases where the title of the State was proven faulty, the Legislature invariably reimbursed the purchasers their purchase money, the interest thereon, and the expenses incurred in defense of the actions of ejectment instituted against them.

Thus, Alexander Whaley, who had purchased from the Commissioners twenty-three acres of land in Brooklyn, deemed to have been forfeited by the conviction of Abraham Rapalje, remained in "the peaceable possession" thereof until 1793, when "an action of ejectment was commenced by Abraham Rapalje junior in the Supreme Court."<sup>20</sup> Employing Richard Harison as his attorney, Abraham Rapalje junior brought suit against Whaley on "a plea of Trespass and Ejectment of Farm." The jury before which the case was tried found Whaley "guilty of the Trespass and Ejectment" whereof Rapalje complained,<sup>21</sup> and the Supreme Court rendered judgment for the plaintiff.<sup>22</sup> The Attorney General to whom Wha-

<sup>18</sup> *Ibid.*, Jan. 13, 1798.

<sup>19</sup> *Ibid.*, Jan. 23, 1798.

<sup>20</sup> *Assembly Papers*, 27: 157.

<sup>21</sup> *Rapalje v. Whaley, Parchment Rolls*, 149 B 10.

<sup>22</sup> *Ibid.*, *Parchment Rolls*, 85 D 8.

ley's petition for indemnification was referred reported that he ought to be reimbursed the full amount of his purchase money, with interest, and also the amount of his expenditures in defending the suits brought against him.<sup>23</sup> Acting under instructions from the Legislature,<sup>24</sup> the State Treasurer paid Whaley £118 1s. 9d. on April 17, 1792<sup>25</sup> and £938 14s. 6d. on April 9, 1795<sup>26</sup> in full satisfaction of the £525 paid by him for the twenty-three acres of land forfeited by Abraham Rapalje, the interest on this money, and his disbursements in defense of the actions instituted against him.

In like manner, Charles McKnight "was kept out of possession" of the twenty-six acres in Queens County conveyed to him by the Commissioners of Forfeitures as part of the confiscated estate of George Duncan Ludlow.<sup>27</sup> The Legislature directed the Attorney General to enquire into the State's title to the premises.<sup>28</sup> In the meantime, the property was recovered from McKnight, with costs of suit; and his widow, Mary McKnight, called upon the Legislature to repay her "the purchase money with the interest thereon, together with

<sup>23</sup> *Assembly Journal*, Jan. 23, 1795, Mar. 6, 1795. Whaley's purchase included a three-acre parcel of salt meadow. One Richard Vandenberg, by verdict and judgment in a suit of ejectment brought in the Supreme Court, recovered this parcel on February 17, 1792 "by force of a title paramount to that of the State." The Attorney General advised that Whaley be reimbursed "the full amount of his purchase money, with interest; and also the amount of the damages, costs and expenditures" incurred by him in defense of this action (*ibid.*, Mar. 7, 1792).

<sup>24</sup> *Laws*, 15th sess., ch. 48 (Apr. 6, 1792), 18th sess., ch. 60 (Apr. 8, 1795).

<sup>25</sup> *N. Y. State Treasurer's Accounts*, box 2, p. 458.

<sup>26</sup> *Ibid.*, box 2, p. 535; *N. Y. State Treasurer's Day Book*, Apr. 9, 1795. The first payment was for the three acres of salt meadow; the second was for the remaining twenty acres of his purchase. On receiving the £938 14s. 6d. from the Treasurer, Whaley released to the State his "right, title and interest of and in" the last-mentioned property (*Original Releases to the State*, 1:71).

<sup>27</sup> *Assembly Papers*, 27:246.

<sup>28</sup> *Laws*, 11th sess., ch. 95 (Mar. 22, 1788).



the said costs.”<sup>29</sup> When the Attorney General certified, June 10, 1795, that it appeared “probable” that the State “had no title to the said lands at the time they were conveyed as aforesaid to the said Charles McKnight,”<sup>30</sup> Gerard Bancker, the State Treasurer, paid Mary McKnight £376 11s. 3d.,<sup>31</sup> for which sum she “remised, released and forever quit claimed” the premises to the State.<sup>32</sup>

Likewise John Lawrence had difficulty with his title to the sixty-acre farm in Westchester County, deemed to have been forfeited by the conviction of Gilbert Miller. Soon after Lawrence had purchased the premises, it was decided “by a suit brought in the Supreme Court of this State” that the said farm “was not confiscated by the conviction of the said Gilbert Miller.”<sup>33</sup> The Attorney General reported that Lawrence was “legally entitled to claim of the State a return of the consideration money” paid by him for the premises, “together with the legal interest from the time of the payment thereof, and to the payment of such other necessary expences as have been paid by him in and about the suit prosecuted by him.”<sup>34</sup> Thereupon, the Legislature directed the Treasurer to pay Lawrence £586 6s. 1d. “in full satisfaction of his claim.”<sup>35</sup> On receiving this money,<sup>36</sup> Lawrence released to the State his “right, title and interest of and in the premises within mentioned, and of and in every part thereof, and of and in any further compensation for the same.”<sup>37</sup>

Long after the Commissioners had sold to John and Nicholas Quackenbos two lots in New York City as forfeited by

<sup>29</sup> *Assembly Journal*, Mar. 14, 1795.

<sup>30</sup> *Rev. MSS*, Vol. 46, box 1.

<sup>31</sup> *Ibid.*, Vol. 46, box 2; *N. Y. State Treasurer's Day Book*, July 20, 1795.

<sup>32</sup> *Original Releases to the State*, 2: 11.

<sup>33</sup> *Assembly Journal*, Jan. 12, 1796.

<sup>34</sup> *Ibid.*, Feb. 3, 1796.

<sup>35</sup> *Laws*, 19th sess., ch. 11 (Feb. 19, 1796).

<sup>36</sup> *N. Y. State Treasurer's Accounts*, box 2, p. 552.

<sup>37</sup> *Original Releases to the State*, 2: 7.

the attainder of William Axtell, it was discovered that Axtell, at the time of his attainder, "had no title, interest or property in or to the said lots." When the proprietors thereof "brought suits and obtained recoveries therein" against John and Nicholas Quackenbos, the Legislature directed the Treasurer to pay them the consideration money expressed in their deeds from the Commissioners and "the interest thereof from the dates of the said deeds."<sup>38</sup> On executing releases of all claims which they had in consequence of the actions of ejectment instituted against them, Nicholas Quackenbos was awarded \$1,424.72 on June 8, 1807,<sup>39</sup> and John Quackenbos, \$1,119.72 on March 9, 1815.<sup>40</sup>

An interesting suit was that instituted by James Leonard against Anthony Post. The latter had purchased a house and lot in New York City deemed to have been forfeited by Leonard. Designating Alexander Hamilton as his attorney, Leonard proceeded against Post "in a plea of Trespass and Ejectment of Farm." At the trial it was shown that the plaintiff had come into possession of the property on May 31, 1781, some seven months after his conviction under the act of attainder of October 22, 1779. The premises "having been seen and fully understood and mature deliberation thereupon being had," the judges of the Supreme Court rendered judgment for the plaintiff, awarding him £31 1s. 9d. damages, besides the recovery of his property.<sup>41</sup> Concurring with a committee in its report that Post was "entitled to relief,"<sup>42</sup> the Legislature directed the Treasurer to reimburse him the £225 which he had paid for the premises, "with interest at five per cent" from July 7, 1784, as well as "his cost in defending the said premises."<sup>43</sup>

<sup>38</sup> *Laws*, 30th sess., ch. 36 (Mar. 13, 1807).

<sup>39</sup> *Original Releases to the State*, 1:245; see also *State Releases*, 1:117.

<sup>40</sup> *Original Releases to the State*, 1:467; see also *State Releases*, 1:191.

<sup>41</sup> *Leonard v. Post*, *Parchment Rolls*, 131 A 4, 106 H 8.

<sup>42</sup> *Assembly Journal*, Mar. 20, 1786.

<sup>43</sup> *Laws*, 9th sess., ch. 58 (May 1, 1786).

So disturbing did such litigation prove that the Legislature, in an effort to put an end to it, enacted a statute of limitation. As the deeds and other documents relative to forfeited estates "were generally carried away by the former proprietors whose conduct caused their forfeiture" and as the State's title resulting from such forfeitures was thereby "peculiarly liable to be obscured or defeated," it was enacted that those having "any estate, right, title claim or demand in or to any lands, messuages, tenements or hereditaments supposed to have been forfeited to the people of this State" were to have no more than five years to "prosecute, sue or maintain any action or suit at law for the recovery thereof."<sup>44</sup>

Quite apart from faulty titles, there were many other issues which brought on costly and harassing suits at law. The Commissioners of Forfeitures sold loyalist estates without realizing that such properties were often burdened with legacies, mortgages, and other encumbrances. Purchasers of such estates were soon brought into court in suits for the recovery of such claims, for the discharge of which the estates were liable notwithstanding the proscription of the loyalist owners.

For example, Isaac Guion had purchased from the Commissioners a farm in the Manor of Pelham forfeited by the attainder of Joshua Pell, "subject to the right of dower in the widow of Joshua Pell the elder." Guion soon found himself summoned into court as a result of suits instituted against him in the Supreme Court for certain legacies due from the attainted Joshua Pell and claimed as charged on his forfeited estate by the last will and testament of Joshua Pell the elder. Guion employed counsel to defend him against these claims, among others Egbert Benson, then Attorney General of the State, who was of the opinion "that the said suits were not

<sup>44</sup> Exception was made in the case of minors, *femes covert*, or insane persons. Such persons could bring their claims and prosecutions against forfeited estates within five years after their coming of full age, or of sound mind, or discovery, "and at no time thereafter" (*ibid.*, 20th sess., ch. 52, Mar. 28, 1797).

maintainable.”<sup>45</sup> The plaintiffs, Jerusha,<sup>46</sup> Gilbert,<sup>47</sup> Benjamin,<sup>48</sup> and Sarah Pell,<sup>49</sup> four of the legatees, engaged Aaron Burr as their attorney in their suits for the recovery of the legacies to which they were entitled. The plaintiffs gave in evidence the will of Joshua Pell the elder, dated March 1, 1758, indicating that he had bequeathed to his son, Joshua, the northernmost half of his real estate in the Manor of Pelham, in consideration whereof Joshua Pell the younger was directed to pay £500 as his share “towards discharging the legacies” bequeathed by the testator unto his wife and other children, “as the said legacies should severally become due.” The plaintiffs further proved that Joshua Pell the elder died on September 21, 1782 “without revoking or altering his said last Will and Testament,” that his son, Joshua Pell the younger, thereupon took possession of the premises, and that subsequently Isaac Guion became possessed of the estate, “taking the issues and profits thereof to his own use” and refusing to pay the legacies charged thereon. On September 9, 1789, the justices of the Supreme Court gave judgment for the plaintiffs.

The Attorney General, Egbert Benson, advised “the prosecution of writs of error on the said judgments.”<sup>50</sup> Thereupon, Guion sued forth out of the Court of Chancery such writs of error; and the cases came up before the Court for the Trial of Impeachments and the Correction of Errors. Upon due examination of all matters involved in the suits, the Court declared that the judgments rendered by the Supreme Court were “not in any wise vicious or defective” and awarded the plaintiffs further damages for the money expended by

<sup>45</sup> *Assembly Papers*, 26: 333.

<sup>46</sup> *Pell v. Guion*, *Parchment Rolls*, 102 D 6.

<sup>47</sup> *Ibid.*, *Parchment Rolls*, 147 C 6.

<sup>48</sup> *Ibid.*, *Parchment Rolls*, 146 F 1.

<sup>49</sup> *Benjamin Guion and Sarah (Pell), his wife, v. Guion*, *Parchment Rolls*, 10 B 7.

<sup>50</sup> *Assembly Papers*, 26: 329.

them in consequence of Guion's writs of error and by reason of the delay in the execution of the judgments given by the Supreme Court.<sup>51</sup>

Aggrieved by these decisions and pressed for payment by the legatees, Isaac Guion appealed to the Legislature for relief. Thereupon, the Treasurer was directed to pay Aaron Burr, attorney for the plaintiffs, £988 "in discharge of the said judgments, and in discharge of all the other legacies" charged upon the property "by the will of the said Joshua Pell the elder, and to pay the further sum of £125 5s. 1 $\frac{2}{3}$ d. to Isaac Guion "in full discharge of all demands which he may have against the people of this State for defending the suits" brought against him by the legatees and "for all demands against the people of this State on account of the said farm."<sup>52</sup>

The Commissioners of Forfeitures were themselves often plaintiffs in actions involving loyalist estates. In accordance with their instructions, they commenced and prosecuted suits against tenants on forfeited estates who refused to pay rents due the State. Thus, Sarah Odell, a tenant on a farm in Philipse Manor, was brought to trial before the justices of the Supreme Court for rents due to the State. The plaintiffs proved that "for a long space of time," from October 22, 1779 until February 9, 1786, Sarah Odell had tenanted a farm on the forfeited estate of Frederick Philipse and had "used, occupied and enjoyed" the premises during the entire period, by reason whereof she "became liable to pay unto" the Commissioners "so much money as the use and occupation" of the premises during the time mentioned "were reasonably worth." According to their testimony, Sarah Odell, "contriving and fraudulently intending to deceive and defraud" them, had not paid them the rent due, and "hath altogether hitherto refused and still doth refuse" to pay the same. The judges rendered judg-

<sup>51</sup> *Pell v. Guion*, *Parchment Rolls*, 213 F 5, 157 B 7, 112 C 1, 183 G 2, 226 C 1.

<sup>52</sup> *Laws*, 13th sess., ch. 52 (Apr. 6, 1790); see also *N. Y. State Treasurer's Accounts*, box 1, p. 416; *N. Y. State Treasurer's Day Book*, Apr. 16, 1790.



ment for the plaintiffs and directed the sheriff of Westchester County to inquire "by the oath of twelve good and lawful men of his bailiwick" into the damages sustained by the Commissioners. The sheriff reported that at the Inquisition taken before him on April 23, 1787 it was found that the Commissioners were entitled to £38 10s. for rent and 6d. for their costs and charges expended by them in their suit; and the justices of the Supreme Court awarded them an additional £19 15s. 10d. for their costs and charges in prosecuting their suit against Sarah Odell.<sup>53</sup>

The Commissioners of Forfeitures often brought suit against purchasers who failed to fulfill the conditions of payment. To secure the payment of £553 1s. 1d. which he owed the Commissioners, James Oakley of Philipse Manor executed a bond in the penal sum of £1,106 2s. 2d. When Oakley defaulted in payment, the Commissioners proceeded against him in the Supreme Court "in a plea of debt." Judgment was given for the plaintiffs, who were directed to recover their debt and £7 3s. "for their damages which they have sustained as well by occasion of the detention of the said debt as for their costs and charges by them about their suit in this behalf expended."<sup>54</sup> In like manner, Cornelius P. Low, to secure the payment of £9,679 2s., executed a bond to the Commissioners in the penal sum of £19,358 5s. On their complaint that Low "hitherto hath refused and still doth refuse" to pay them, the Commissioners were empowered by the Supreme Court to "recover against the aforesaid Cornelius P. Low their debt aforesaid" and also £8 11s. 9d. damages.<sup>55</sup> Likewise, when Henry Tiebout defaulted in payment of his bond executed to the Commissioners in the penal sum of £784 18s. 4d., they in-

<sup>53</sup> *Stoutenburgh and Van Cortlandt v. Odell, Parchment Rolls*, 167 F 9, 113 C 9.

<sup>54</sup> *Stoutenburgh and Van Cortlandt v. Oakley, Parchment Rolls*, 93 E 1.

<sup>55</sup> *Stoutenburgh and Van Cortlandt v. Low, Parchment Rolls*, 25 E 4.

stituted suit against him and recovered their debt together with £6 18s. 3d. damages.<sup>56</sup>

By far the most persistent problem arising from the disposal of the confiscated estates was the liquidation of the dower claims of the loyalists' widows. It was never the intention of the State to make provision for the dower rights of the widows of attainted or convicted loyalists. This step was forced upon the Legislature by the courts, which ruled that the dower rights of widows in the properties of their proscribed husbands were recoverable. Thus, when Elizabeth Gidney, widow of John Gidney, petitioned for her right of dower in the estate forfeited by her husband, the Legislature referred her petition to a committee, which reported that "any interference of the Legislature would be improper, as the petitioner, if she is entitled to any relief, can have complete remedy at law"; and the Legislature concurred with the committee in this report.<sup>57</sup> Thereupon, Elizabeth Gidney brought suit in the Supreme Court against Daniel Williams, who had purchased her husband's estate from the Commissioners of Forfeitures. Williams did not appear in defense of the suit, and judgment was entered by default against the defendant. The Court ruled that Elizabeth Gidney should recover £93 6s. 6d. and commanded the sheriff to see that she got this money "without delay."<sup>58</sup>

Thus compelled to satisfy Elizabeth Gidney's claim of dower, Williams petitioned for the interposition of the Legislature. The Assembly was advised by the committee to which it had referred Williams's petition that in subsequent suits, similarly involving claims of dower, it had been adjudged by the Supreme Court that the widows of attainted or convicted loyalists were "entitled to be endowed of the third part of the real estates of their late husbands." The committee was therefore of the opinion that, should the Legislature be in senti-

<sup>56</sup> *Stoutenburgh v. Tiebout, Parchment Rolls*, 166 C 3.

<sup>57</sup> *Assembly Journal*, Jan. 26 and 31, 1791.

<sup>58</sup> *Gidney v. Williams, Parchment Rolls*, 95 C 8.

ment with these decisions, "a general mode of relief" ought to be devised "for all persons who now are, or hereafter may be, in like situation with the petitioner." But in the event the Legislature deemed the subject "of sufficient importance to claim a further discussion," the committee advised that the Attorney General be directed "to remove the records of the said judgments by writs of error." Unable to decide on a course of action, the Assembly ordered that the consideration of the committee's report be postponed.<sup>59</sup>

But the situation was too serious to admit of much delay. So disturbing were the suits instituted by these widows and so numerous the petitions for redress that the Legislature soon found it necessary to take the matter in hand and set up a general mode of relief. On April 4, 1792 the Assembly concurred with the Senate in the following resolution: "Resolved, as the sense of the legislature, that whenever the widow of any person whose real estate has been forfeited to the people of this State, shall apply to the attorney general of this State, claiming dower, and shall prove to the satisfaction of the said attorney general that her dower is not barred by marriage contract or otherwise, he shall cause enquiry to be made of the annual value of such estate, and having ascertained the same, he shall report to the legislature at their next meeting what sum in one payment will be equivalent to one third of such value, determining such sum on the principles established by the corporation in the city of London, commonly called the society for equitable assurances on lives and survivorships, and computing money to bear an interest of six per cent."<sup>60</sup>

<sup>59</sup> *Assembly Journal*, Jan. 30, 1792. When the Legislature did provide for relief in such cases, both Elizabeth Gidney and Daniel Williams secured redress. On April 24, 1792, Morgan Lewis, the Attorney General, advised the Legislature that Elizabeth Gidney was entitled to £213 6s. 6d. on her claim of dower (*Rev. MSS*, Vol. 46, box 2). On May 2, 1792, the State Treasurer paid this sum to her, for which she executed a release of her dower claim (*ibid.*, Vol. 46, box 1; *N. Y. State Treasurer's Accounts*, box 2, p. 462).

<sup>60</sup> *Assembly Journal*, Apr. 4, 1792; *Senate Journal*, Apr. 3, 1792.

In this manner, most claims of dower in forfeited estates were liquidated. On ascertaining from the Attorney General the sums due these widows, the Legislature enacted laws directing the Treasurer to pay them this money, on their releasing to the State their right of dower in the properties possessed by their husbands at the time of their proscription. Thus, on May 11, 1807, Elizabeth Philipse, widow of Frederick Philipse, for \$1,000 paid her by the people of the State of New York,<sup>61</sup> "granted, bargained and sold, alienated, released, conveyed and confirmed . . . unto the said People of the State of New York and to their successors and assigns forever, all the estate, right, title, interest, possession, property claim and demand whatsoever of dower or thirds of her, the said Elizabeth Philipse, of, in, and to any lands, tenements, and hereditaments whatsoever, situate, lying, and being in the said State of New York."<sup>62</sup>

Rights of dower were also adjusted and settled by the Commissioners for extinguishing Claims against the State, consisting of the Attorney General, the Comptroller, and the Surveyor General. Thus, at their meeting on January 31, 1803 these Commissioners proceeded to an examination of the request of Margaret DeLancey for a settlement on her claim of dower to the lands forfeited by the attainder of her husband, James DeLancey. Cadwallader D. Colden, agent and attorney for Margaret DeLancey, signified his willingness to accept \$34,000 in extinguishment of her "right, claim and title to Dower." Whereupon, the Commissioners considered the proofs offered and adduced to them. From these proofs it appeared that Margaret was legally married to James DeLancey "before the late war"; that James DeLancey died in 1799; that Margaret DeLancey was 54 years old; that the Commissioners of Forfeitures had sold the real estate of James DeLancey to the amount of £113,144, out of which £12,159 11s. 6¾d.

<sup>61</sup> *Laws*, 30th sess., ch. 183 (Apr. 7, 1807).

<sup>62</sup> *Original Releases to the State*, 2: 177; see also *State Releases*, 1: 115.

were paid "in satisfaction of claims against the said James DeLancey"; that the annual value of James DeLancey's New York City holdings was, according to three appraisers nominated by the agents of Margaret DeLancey, \$32,831.25; that "according to the principles adopted by the concurrent Resolution of the Senate and Assembly" of April 3-4, 1792, "the life of the said Margaret is worth eight and an half years purchase"; that in consequence "the present value of her Dower calculated on these data would amount to" \$93,021.87; that after deducting 25% from this valuation "in consideration of its having been made *exparte*" the amount of Margaret DeLancey's right of dower would be \$69,766.38; and that her attorney "has offered to accept" \$34,000 "in full extinguishment of the said right of Dower," of which sum \$10,000 were to be paid immediately and the residue within one year.

Having "maturely and attentively examined and considered the subject," finding that many of the purchasers under the State "have already been prosecuted and that according to the determination of the Supreme Court there exists no possible defence in the said suits," realizing that "if the said suits are prosecuted to judgment" the State "will be bound to make good the damages and losses to the individuals who will notwithstanding be put to great inconvenience and trouble," and conceiving themselves "in some measure required" by a resolution of the Assembly "finally to compromise with the said Margaret and to extinguish her said claim," the Commissioners resolved that "in case the person administering the Government of this State shall consent to and approve thereof" the State should accede to the proposal of Margaret DeLancey's attorney. That same day, Governor Clinton, having "examined and considered the preceding Report," gave his consent and approbation.<sup>63</sup> Whereupon, on receiving \$34,000 from the

63 *Rev. MSS.*, Vol. 45, box 2.



State,<sup>64</sup> Margaret DeLancey, "of the City of Bath in the County of Somerset and Kingdom of Great Britain," released to the people of the State of New York her right of dower in her husband's forfeited estate, "so that neither the said Margaret DeLancey nor any person for her shall at any time hereafter have claim or challenge any right of dower or thirds of, in and to the said lands." Moreover, she "expressly agreed" that this release was to "enure to the benefit of such persons as now do or hereafter may hold under the people of this State any of the said lands whereof the said James DeLancey was seized as aforesaid" and that "all suits or actions of dower now pending in the name of the said Margaret DeLancey shall cease, be discontinued and no further prosecuted."<sup>65</sup>

<sup>64</sup> *Ledger B—Comptroller's Office—1797 to 1805*, p. 94.

<sup>65</sup> *State Releases*, 1: 80; see also *Original Releases to the State*, 2: 121.

## CHAPTER VI

### SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

It may be desirable to review briefly the main points and conclusions which have been developed in the foregoing pages. The Revolutionary authorities, desiring to punish those who were inimical to the American cause, endeavoring to extricate themselves from the financial difficulties confronting them, and seeking to dislodge the pro-British aristocracy in the interest of land-hungry patriots, set up machinery for the confiscation and disposal of the loyalist estates. The adoption of this confiscatory programme was characterized by a gradual evolution from moderation to radicalism. As the spirit of lawlessness spread among the populace, loyalist property was subject to pillage and unwarrantable depredation. Whether out of selfish motives or with a view to returning such property to the rightful owners after the cessation of hostilities, the Revolutionary government took steps to prevent the destruction, waste, and embezzlement of the estates of absconded Tories. This cautious policy pursued at the outset gave way to more sweeping and drastic measures with the progress of the war and the growing conviction that the colonies would prevail. On March 6, 1777 resolutions of the Provincial Convention provided for the appointment of Commissioners of Sequestration, who sold the personal property of those who had joined the enemy and rented out their real estate, giving first option to those patriots who had been driven from their homes by the Tories. By an act of October 22, 1779, the estates of those adhering to the enemy were declared forfeited to the State, fifty-nine persons were attainted of treason, machinery was instituted for the conviction of others, and the Governor was authorized to appoint Commissioners of Forfeitures to dispose of the confiscated estates. But the unsettled state of public affairs and the British occupation of the Southern District throughout the war discouraged prospective purchasers and prevented the State

from enjoying immediately the rich returns it had anticipated from the sale of the loyalist estates. The natural antagonisms engendered by the war, the use and destruction of American property by the British troops and loyalist guerrillas, and the general economic depression following the war intensified the bitterness toward the Tories. Reflecting the popular sentiment, the State Legislature enacted fresh confiscatory measures in utter violation of the recommendations of the Treaty of Peace and of the American Congress.

The confiscatory machinery, by its very nature, could not operate generally in the interest of the lower classes of society. No doubt, in according patriot-tenants the benefit of preemption of their farms at an appraised price, in providing that auction sales were to be held in the counties where the lands were located, and in stipulating that individual sales were generally not to exceed five hundred acres, the Revolutionary authorities aimed to accommodate small purchasers. But there were many features of the State's confiscatory programme which worked to the disadvantage of those representatives of the lower strata of society who were anxious to acquire forfeited lands. The Commissioners of Forfeitures were directed to sell property at auction or by private contract, whichever method they deemed most beneficial to the State. If at the auction sales the bids did not approximate the price estimated by the Commissioners to be the true value of the property, sales could be adjourned to a future day; and if then the proper bids were not offered, the Commissioners could dispose of the property by private contract and sale. Under such conditions, there was nothing to prevent wealthy and influential landowners, Revolutionary leaders, merchant princes, and speculators from appearing repeatedly at the Commissioners' sales and carving out extensive holdings through individual purchases. Many had come into possession of the certificates issued to the State troops in liquidation of their claims for pay by reason of the depreciation of the currency; and immediately after the British evacuation, they availed themselves of

the benefit of the act of October 4, 1780, which had authorized the Commissioners of Forfeitures to accept such certificates, at the same rate with specie, from those applying for the purchase of confiscated lands at an appraised price. Tenants on such lands could exercise the right of preemption provided by the confiscatory legislation, but those who were unable or unwilling to do so saw their holdings appropriated by those who had applied for the purchase of such estates. In this way, patriotic profiteers contrived to get the bulk of the loyalist estates into their own hands. Moreover, the conditions of payment were such as to discourage poor people from purchasing forfeited lands. By the act of October 22, 1779, tenants availing themselves of the benefit of preemption of the farms in their possession were required to pay the entire sum at which their lands were appraised within three months after such appraisal. By a subsequent measure, enacted March 31, 1781, tenants neglecting within eight months after appraisal to pay the sum at which their lands had been appraised were to forfeit one-fourth of that sum, to be recovered by the Commissioners of Forfeitures in an action of debt. By the act of May 12, 1784 purchasers of forfeited estates were to pay one-third of the price on the date of sale and the remainder by June 1, 1785. Judging that the time of payment "may in many instances prove too short and inconvenient," the Legislature later provided that in all sales made after March 31, 1785 purchasers were to pay one-third of the purchase money and the balance within nine months from the date of sale. It was soon found, however, that "the time given for the payment of the said two-thirds part of the purchase money is too long." It was, therefore, enacted, May 1, 1786, that thereafter purchasers were to pay one-third of the purchase price on the date of sale and the remainder within four months. Failure to make payments within the time specified resulted in the forfeiture of the initial investments.

Under the circumstances, if it was the hope of the Revolutionary authorities that the immediate fruits of the State's

confiscatory programme might accrue to the lower classes, they were doomed to disappointment. It is true that the extension to tenant-farmers of the benefit of preemption at an appraised price and the acceptance of bills of credit and State certificates of various denominations in payment for forfeited estates made it possible for many to secure such property. A perusal of the returns of the Commissioners of Forfeitures, however, and an analysis of the social strata from which purchasers were drawn show that most of the loyalist estates fell to wealthy and influential merchants, landowners, army contractors, Revolutionary leaders, and speculators, many already possessed of substantial land holdings. The DeLancey estate in New York City and Philipse Manor in Westchester County were almost the only loyalist estates in the Southern District where a much more widely diffused land ownership resulted from the Commissioners' sales. But, as has been indicated, even these cases are not to be interpreted as marking a substantial gain for economic equality. While a number of obscure persons did succeed in acquiring lots on the DeLancey estate, the bulk of the property was taken by prominent landowners, merchants, and speculators of New York City. It has been shown, too, how DeLancey's tenants were thrown into a most precarious position by the attainder of their landlord and how miserably they fared at the hands of the Commissioners and the State. Although prominent New York City and Westchester personages played an active rôle in the disposition of Philipse Manor, the bulk of this extensive estate did find its way into the hands of former tenants. But, as has been pointed out, the tenant-farmers of Westchester County, enjoying fixed tenure, moderate rents, and proximity to New York City, affording them a market for the sale of their produce, were comparatively well-to-do and can hardly be classed with the rank and file of poor yeomen, dependents, artisans, and landless laborers. Here, as elsewhere, the less substantial tenants had little to gain, and often much to lose, from the disposition of their landlord's estate. Of those who contracted for the purchase of their farms, not a few lacked



the funds necessary to fulfill the conditions of payment. Rebuffed by the Legislature in their request for more time to meet their obligations to the State, they were obliged to burden their holdings with mortgages, assigned to representatives of New York's upper social levels. Though it cannot be denied that the disappearance of the great estates of the aristocratic Tory landlords did result in a somewhat wider distribution of land ownership, it appears that such redistribution of landed wealth was less than has been thought. It is impossible to escape the conclusion that the greater number of those who profited by the sales of the Commissioners of Forfeitures were well-to-do revolutionists and that the lower classes derived comparatively little immediate benefit.

But while the sale of the Tory estates was less democratizing in its immediate effects than has been supposed, it was an important initial step to be followed by a wider distribution through the speculators who had acquired a large part of the properties. As has been indicated, men of wealth and influence played as prominent a rôle in the subsequent history of the loyalist estates as they did at the Commissioners' sales. Many kept their purchases in the possession of their families, executed leases rather than deeds, and tenaciously retained their grip on their holdings well into the nineteenth century. But most of them, as speculators and land-jobbers interested in profits from sales, partitioned their properties into small lots and threw them on the market. These shrewd land operators reaped a golden harvest, but what is more significant is that obscure persons had ample opportunities to become purchasers. The early decades of the nineteenth century saw many representatives of the lower classes buying city lots, houses, and small farms from persons holding title under the Commissioners of Forfeitures. The manipulations of the speculators who had come into possession of a large part of the Tory estates were far more democratizing in their consequences than were the Commissioners' sales.

The disposal of the loyalist estates was but one phase of the State's confiscatory programme. Besides the appropriation of the loyalists' holdings, the State assumed ownership of all accounts due them. Many persons indebted to the loyalists readily made their payments to the State, discharging their debts and mortgages in depreciated public securities. Despite all inducements and precautions, however, unscrupulous debtors contrived to defraud the State. But while the State appropriated the loyalists' assets, it also assumed their liabilities. From the proceeds of the sales of the Tory properties, the legitimate claims of patriot-creditors were paid. Availing themselves of the benefit of a provision in the act of May 12, 1784, the creditors of the loyalists appeared in the courts, exhibited bills, account books, and records of bonds and mortgages, and secured the certification of their claims to enable them to obtain payment from the State. When the proceeds of the sales of any forfeited estate were insufficient to satisfy all claims, creditors were paid dividends in proportion to the sums due to each of them. In discharge of such claims, the State paid interest-bearing certificates, which were made receivable, at the same rate with gold and silver, for taxes and for purchases of loyalist and unappropriated lands. The State was put to the additional expense of supporting many superannuated negroes left behind by the loyalists on their departure from New York.

Innumerable suits at law and other complications resulted from the sale of the loyalist estates. Persons claiming title under attainted loyalists, former tenants unable or unwilling to purchase their holdings, and those who squatted on the estates of loyalists after their proscription often withheld possession of the premises from the Commissioners of Forfeitures and those holding under them, compelling the latter to institute actions of ejectment in the courts. Purchasers were themselves often ousted from their properties by force of titles superior to that of the State. In every case where the State's title was proved faulty, the Legislature reimbursed purchasers not only for their purchase money but also for the interest

thereon and their expenses in defending the suits brought against them. Moreover, forfeited estates were burdened with legacies, mortgages, dower claims, and other encumbrances, for the discharge of which the State became liable. Under such circumstances, the State was not to reap all the fruits it had anticipated from the sale of the Tory estates. The liquidation of creditors' claims, the expenses incurred in the prosecution and defense of suits at law, the reimbursement of purchasers when their titles were found faulty, the discharge of legacies, mortgages, and other encumbrances on forfeited estates, and the extinguishment of the dower rights of the loyalists' widows consumed much of the proceeds of the sales. Not until several decades of the nineteenth century had passed did the State finally extricate itself from the manifold difficulties arising from the confiscation and sale of the loyalist estates.



## APPENDICES

### Appendix 1. Report of the Sales of Forfeited Estates made by Isaac Stoutenburgh and Philip Van Cortlandt, Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Southern District of the State of New York <sup>1</sup>

| <i>Estate of</i>                  | <i>Brought in</i> | <i>Estate of</i>       | <i>Brought in</i> |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| Axtell, William                   | £ 1,705           | Jones, Philip          | £ 288             |
| Barker, Thomas                    | 148               | Jones, Thomas          | 1,400             |
| Bates, John                       | 1,050             | Kip, Benjamin          | 500               |
| Bayard, Robert                    | 3,671 10s.        | Kissam, Daniel         | 2,000             |
| Bayard, William                   | 8,891 7s.         | Lewis, Benjamin        | 200               |
| Billopp, Christopher              | 4,695 15s.        | Lloyd, Henry           | 2,900             |
| Blauw, Waldron                    | 2,980             | Low, Isaac             | 5,650             |
| Brush, Shubal                     | 800               | Ludlow, Gabriel George | 800               |
| Carpenter, Archelaus              | 490               | Ludlow, George Duncan  | 2,265             |
| Cock, Zoar                        | 80                | McGinnis, Robert       | 450               |
| Colden, David                     | 1,800             | Matthews, David        | 42                |
| Cornwell, George                  | 290               | Merritt, Joseph        | 1,178             |
| Cory, Griffin                     | 900               | Merritt, Thomas        | 315               |
| Crawford, James                   | 100               | Miller, Anthony        | 240               |
| Crawford, John                    | 70                | Miller, Gilbert        | 300               |
| Cruger, John Harris               | 800               | Morehouse, Jonathan    | 45                |
| Davenport, Gabriel                | 300               | Morris, Roger          | 3,010             |
| DeLancey, James (N. Y. City)      | 107,532           | Muirson, George        | 1,214             |
| DeLancey, James (Westchester Co.) | 1,250             | Oakley, Miles          | 202               |
| DeLancey, Oliver                  | 7,913 8s.         | Ogden, Benjamin        | 200               |
| De St. Croix, Joshua T.           | 1,812             | Osburn, Nathan         | 415               |
| Devoe, Frederick                  | 749               | Palmer, Lewis          | 1,950             |
| Drake, Peter                      | 25                | Peemart, Francis       | 220               |
| Flewelling, Thomas                | 100               | Pell, John             | 542 10s.          |
| Floyd, Richard                    | 4,130             | Pell, Joshua           | 988               |
| Folliot, George                   | 3,250             | Philipse, Frederick    | 234,170 18s.      |
| Ford, Joseph                      | 450               | Polhemus, Johannis     | 1,650             |
| Fowler, Jonathan junior           | 210               | Rapalje, Abraham       | 525               |
| Fowler, Solomon                   | 1,050             | Rapalje, John          | 14,460            |
| Fowler, Stephen                   | 219               | Reed, William          | 100               |
| Frost, Caleb                      | 160               | Robinson, Beverley     | 360               |
| Gidney, John                      | 684               | Seaman, Adam           | 305               |
| Gidney, Joseph                    | 620               | Seaman, Benjamin       | 4,120 16s.        |
| Hawley, Ezekiel junior            | 200               | Seaman, Israel         | 200               |
| Holmes, James                     | 750               | Sniffen, Shubal        | 320               |
| Holmes, Lewis                     | 800               | Sprung, Volkert junior | 250               |
| Hunt, Benjamin                    | 1,025             | Titus, Isaac           | 100               |
| Hustice, David                    | 100               | Travis, Jeremiah       | 1,163 10s.        |
| Jauncey, James                    | 9,485             | Travis, William        | 260               |
|                                   |                   | Van Dyne, Dowe         | 1,900             |

<sup>1</sup> "List of Reports made by the Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Southern District respecting Forfeited Estates," in *Rev. MSS.*, vol. 45, box 2. The date of this report is not given. Comparing the sums cited here with the prices given in the Commissioners' abstracts of sales, it appears that this report was rendered about 1788, when the Commissioners' services were terminated.



| <i>Estate of</i>          | <i>Brought in</i> | <i>Estate of</i>   | <i>Brought in</i> |
|---------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Wallace, Alexander & Hugh | £ 1,300           | White, Thomas      | £ 3,520           |
| Wallace, Alexander        | 25                | Whitney, Nathan    | 400               |
| Wallace, Hugh             | 3,300             | Wickham, Parker    | 3,180             |
| Ward, Edmund              | 1,185             | Williams, Isaac    | 875               |
| Watts, John               | 4,968 12s. 6d.    | Williamson, Gerrit | 850               |
| Weatherhead, John         | 1,418 5s. 6d.     | Wright, Jonathan   | 160               |
| Weeks, John               | 528 15s.          |                    |                   |
| White, Henry              | 22,513 12s.       | Total .....        | £ 502,709 19s.    |

## Appendix 2. Abstracts of Sales of Loyalist Estates in the Southern District of the State of New York

### A. NEW YORK COUNTY<sup>1</sup>

#### THE ESTATE OF JAMES DELANCEY

| <i>Purchaser</i>               | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale</i> | <i>Description and Place of Record</i>                             |
|--------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Abeel, Garret, gentleman       | £ 174        | Jan. 31, 1786       | Tract at Corlears Hook (A.S., 99).                                 |
| " "                            | 110          | " " "               | Tract at Corlears Hook (A.S., 99).                                 |
| Anderson, Richard              | 62           | Dec. 15, 1784       | Lots 320-21 (A.S., 40; Lib. 42, p. 156)                            |
| Arnold, William, rope-maker    | 58           | Sept. 20, 1784      | Half of lots 889-96 (A.S., 103; Lib. 45 p. 254).                   |
| Ballam, Mathew                 | 64           | May 10, 1785        | Lots 253-54 (A.S., 63).                                            |
| Barber, William, esquire       | 280          | June 29, 1786       | Lots 1223-26 (A.S., 123; Lib. 94, p. 393)                          |
| Beekman, James, merchant       | 2,760        | Aug. 16, 1787       | Lots 132-35, 140-51 (A.S., 156; Lib. 53 p. 190).                   |
| Beekman, William, gentleman    | 320          | July 28, 1785       | Lots 929-44 (A.S., 79; <i>Deed Books</i> , 25 53).                 |
| " "                            | 81           | Sept. 13, 1785      | Half of lots 889-96 (A.S., 90; <i>Deed Books</i> , 25:51).         |
| " "                            | 734          | " " "               | Lots 1408-29, 338-39 (A.S., 90; <i>Deed Books</i> , 25:48).        |
| " "                            | 822          | " " "               | Lots 531-52, 666-71, 686-89 (A.S., 91; <i>Deed Books</i> , 25:50). |
| " "                            | 570          | Aug. 16, 1787       | Lots 673-75, 682-84 (A.S., 155; <i>Deed Books</i> , 25:54).        |
| Bingham, James                 | 892          | June 26, 1786       | Lots 1614-21 (A.S., 113).                                          |
| Blanchard, James, gentleman    | 465          | June 21, 1786       | Tract in the Out Ward (A.S., 122; Lib. 44, p. 98).                 |
| Blanck, Jacob, carpenter       | 223          | Nov. 23, 1784       | Lot 7 (A.S., 27).                                                  |
| Boyd, William, gentleman       | 738          | May 31, 1785        | Lots 1235-41, 1397-1407 (A.S., 128).                               |
| " "                            | 260          | Aug. 17, 1787       | Lots 630-33 (A.S., 166).                                           |
| Bradford, Cornelius, gentleman | 62           | Feb. 23, 1785       | Lots 319 and 341 (A.S., 58; Lib. 42, p. 307).                      |
| " "                            | 56           | June 20, 1786       | Lots 318 and 342 (A.S., 107; Lib. 43, p. 487).                     |
| Brasher, Ephraim, esquire      | 444          | June 29, 1785       | Lots 1207-10, 1227-30 (A.S., 115).                                 |
| Brinckeroff, Abraham, merchant | 88           | Sept. 27, 1784      | Lots 259-60, 271-72 (A.S., 15).                                    |
| Buchanon, John, mariner        | 271          | Dec. 1, 1784        | Lots 74-75, 84-85 (A.S., 30; Lib. 42, p. 132).                     |

#### 1. Sources:

The Ms. ledger entitled *Forfeited Estates* in the Office of the Register of New York County. This volume contains thorough abstracts of sales of loyalist estates in New York County (cited here as "A.S.," together with the page reference for each sale).

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*New York State Treasurer's Accounts*, 1775-97, 2 boxes, State Library, Albany.

| <i>Purchaser (cont.)</i>                                       | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale</i> | <i>Description and Place of Record</i>                                                                                                      |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Bunce, Lemuel, joiner                                          | £ 82         | Dec. 30, 1784       | Lots 1775-78 (A.S., 50; Lib. 107, p. 167).                                                                                                  |
| Byvanck, John, Peter,<br>Evert, and Abraham,<br>and Mary Abeel | 500          | Nov. 26, 1784       | Lot in the Out Ward at Corlears Hook<br>(A.S., 27).                                                                                         |
| Byvanck, Peter, merchant                                       | 360          | Sept. 10, 1785      | Tract in Out Ward (A.S., 88).                                                                                                               |
| Campbell, David, gentle-<br>man                                | 170          | " " "               | Lots 107 and 116 (A.S., 87).                                                                                                                |
| Cannon, Abraham, inn-<br>keeper                                | 82           | Dec. 30, 1784       | Lots 1779-82 (A.S., 48; Lib. 44, p. 325).                                                                                                   |
| " "                                                            | 600          | July 11, 1786       | Tract 6 on the East Farm (A.S., 137; Lib.<br>44, p. 354).                                                                                   |
| Chapple, Catherine, widow                                      | 89           | Nov. 29, 1784       | Lots 42-43 (A.S., 28).                                                                                                                      |
| Cheesman, Joseph, mason                                        | 240          | Aug. 16, 1787       | Lots 369-70 (A.S., 165; Lib. 55, p. 496).                                                                                                   |
| Connolly, Michael                                              | 288          | June 6, 1785        | Lots 1389-96 (A.S., 67).                                                                                                                    |
| Copelet, Elizabeth                                             | 102          | Nov. 15, 1784       | Lots 294-95, 300-1 (A.S., 20).                                                                                                              |
| Delafield, John, merchant                                      | 810          | Aug. 16, 1787       | Lots 11-12 (A.S., 154; Lib. 61, p. 264).                                                                                                    |
| " "                                                            | 560          | " " "               | Lots 1578-79 (A.S., 156).                                                                                                                   |
| " "                                                            | 1,620        | " " "               | Lots 435-42, 447-58 (A.S., 160; Lib. 253,<br>p. 87).                                                                                        |
| " "                                                            | 640          | Aug. 17, 1787       | Lots 622-29 (A.S., 161).                                                                                                                    |
| " "                                                            | 375          | " " "               | Lots 1922-27 (A.S., 161).                                                                                                                   |
| " "                                                            | 820          | " " "               | Lots 810-17, 826-33 (A.S., 162).                                                                                                            |
| " "                                                            | 200          | Aug. 18, 1787       | Lots 1710-13 (A.S., 164).                                                                                                                   |
| Delamater, John, merchant                                      | 4,028        | Jan. 11, 1785       | Tracts 5, 11, 26, half of tract 25, and<br>northeast and southwest corners of tract<br>24 on the East Farm (A.S., 140; Lib.<br>80, p. 394). |
| Denning, William and Gil-<br>christ, Adam                      | 1,292        | Jan. 25, 1785       | Tract 29 on the East Farm (A.S., 59; Lib.<br>45, p. 42).                                                                                    |
| Denning, William, esquire                                      | 384          | Oct. 24, 1785       | Lots 1005-36 (A.S., 95; Lib. 45, p. 45).                                                                                                    |
| Dietz, John, inn-holder                                        | 100          | Dec. 10, 1784       | Lots 78-79 (A.S., 37; Lib. 84, p. 278).                                                                                                     |
| Dominick, Francis, car-<br>penter                              | 355          | Nov. 23, 1784       | Lots 244-49 (A.S., 26; Lib. 467, p.<br>494).                                                                                                |
| " "                                                            | 155          | Sept. 1, 1784       | Lots 17-18 (A.S., 138; Lib. 467, p.<br>492).                                                                                                |
| " "                                                            | 288          | Sept. 13, 1784      | Lots 322-31, 333-38 (A.S., 139; Lib. 304,<br>p. 433).                                                                                       |
| Douglas, George, merchant                                      | 345          | June 26, 1786       | Tract in Out Ward (A.S., 114).                                                                                                              |
| Dover, John, shop-keeper                                       | 83           | Dec. 11, 1784       | Lots 48-49 (A.S., 37; Lib. 482, p. 468).                                                                                                    |
| Dunscomb, Edward,<br>esquire                                   | 99           | May 10, 1785        | Lots 782, 801-05 (A.S., 64, Lib. 72, p.<br>249).                                                                                            |
| " "                                                            | 400          | Aug. 16, 1787       | Half of lots 714-21 (A.S., 155; Lib. 48, p.<br>397).                                                                                        |
| " "                                                            | 530          | " " "               | Lots 362-64, 806-09 (A.S., 160; Lib. 58,<br>p. 387).                                                                                        |
| Ebert, Philip                                                  | 144          | Dec. 4, 1784        | Lots 1258-65 (A.S., 30, Lib. 207, p. 120).                                                                                                  |
| Egbert, John, carpenter                                        | 150          | Sept. 30, 1784      | House and lots 1581, 1586, and part of<br>1580 (A.S., 143).                                                                                 |
| Errenfreed, Coenrad                                            | 106          | June 3, 1785        | Lot in Out Ward (A.S., 66).                                                                                                                 |
| Evans, John, merchant,<br>and Robins, Enoch,<br>hatter         | 185          | July 27, 1785       | Lots 462-64, 492-93 (A.S., 78; Lib. 153,<br>p. 174).                                                                                        |

| <i>Purchaser (cont.)</i>                                 | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale</i> | <i>Description and Place of Record</i>                                                                                         |
|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Everson, Elsje, widow                                    | £ 240        | Aug. 16, 1787       | Lots 818-21 (A.S., 160).                                                                                                       |
| Falkenham, Magdalen, widow                               | 261          | July 8, 1786        | Lots 38-39 (A.S., 119).                                                                                                        |
| Finck, Adam, butcher                                     | 108          | Jan. 21, 1785       | Lots 286-87, 308-09 (A.S., 55).                                                                                                |
| Finck, Alexander, butcher                                | 392          | Nov. 30, 1784       | Lots 897-912 (A.S., 29; Lib. 50, p. 149).                                                                                      |
| “ “                                                      | 32           | Sept. 13, 1784      | Lot 529 (A.S., 147).                                                                                                           |
| Finck, John, butcher                                     | 330          | Dec. 31, 1784       | Lots 33, 60-62 (A.S., 46; Lib. 108, p. 337).                                                                                   |
| Fish, Nicholas, esquire                                  | 1,600        | Feb. 3, 1786        | Lots 180-211 (A.S., 101; Lib. 51, p. 244).                                                                                     |
| “ “                                                      | 968          | June 7, 1785        | Tract 14 and half of tract 12 on the West Farm (A.S., 70).                                                                     |
| Fisher, George, baker                                    | 588          | May 30, 1785        | Lots 1899-1921 (A.S., 104; Lib. 60, p. 530).                                                                                   |
| “ “                                                      | 1,766        | June 29, 1786       | Lots 1, 2, 11, 12, 96, 127, 128-39, 140-43, 212-19 (A.S., 125; Lib. 44, p. 335; <i>Original Releases to the State</i> , 2:20). |
| “ “                                                      | 528          | “ “ “               | Lots 236-39, 347-54, 363-70 (A.S., 126; Lib. 44, p. 334; <i>Original Releases to the State</i> , 2:16).                        |
| Fisher, Leonard, barber                                  | 27           | Nov. 20, 1784       | Lot 121 (A.S., 25; Lib. 344, p. 411).                                                                                          |
| “ “                                                      | 90           | Dec. 20, 1785       | Lots 296-99 (A.S., 97; Lib. 344, p. 406).                                                                                      |
| Fleming, John, baker                                     | 444          | Oct. 20, 1784       | Lots 68-70, 89-91 (A.S., 16; Lib. 79, p. 488).                                                                                 |
| Forbes, Mary, spinster                                   | 225          | May 10, 1785        | House and lot (A.S., 62; Lib. 53, p. 103).                                                                                     |
| Forbes, Philander, widow                                 | 490          | “ “ “               | House and lot (A.S., 63; Lib. 48, p. 33).                                                                                      |
| Forbes, William A., saddler                              | 300          | July 10, 1786       | Tract in West Ward (A.S., 116; Lib. 44, p. 125).                                                                               |
| Furman, Gabriel, inn-keeper                              | 441          | Dec. 30, 1784       | Lots 3-4, 25-27 (A.S., 47).                                                                                                    |
| Gale, Moses                                              | 32           | Feb. 23, 1785       | Lots 1452-53 (A.S., 59).                                                                                                       |
| Galloway, James, rigger                                  | 80           | Sept. 20, 1786      | Half of lots 1087-94 (A.S., 131; Lib. 45, p. 288).                                                                             |
| Gantz, Elizabeth, widow                                  | 41           | Dec. 9, 1784        | Lots 282-83 (A.S., 36; Lib. 101, p. 382).                                                                                      |
| Gantz, Francis                                           | 50           | Feb. 1, 1785        | Lots 312-13 (A.S., 141; Lib. 82, p. 210).                                                                                      |
| Gasner, John, Sperry, Jacob, and Feigenheim, Christopher | 152          | June 21, 1786       | Lots 1250-57 (A.S., 142; Lib. 46, p. 194).                                                                                     |
| Gassnar, John, grocer                                    | 196          | Nov. 19, 1784       | Lots 698-705 (A.S., 24; Lib. 85, p. 524).                                                                                      |
| “ “                                                      | 46           | “ “ “               | Lots 317 and 342 (A.S., 22; Lib. 85, p. 525).                                                                                  |
| German Reformed Church                                   | 369          | Nov. 2, 1784        | Lots 52-57, 261-63, 266-70 (A.S., 18; Lib. 147, p. 435).                                                                       |
| “ “ “                                                    | 102          | June 18, 1785       | Lots 264-65 (A.S., 75).                                                                                                        |
| Gilbert, William W., esquire                             | 480          | Sept. 9, 1786       | Lots 1111-18 and half of lots 1087-94 (A.S., 150).                                                                             |
| “ “                                                      | 640          | “ “ “               | Lots 1095-1110 (A.S., 150).                                                                                                    |
| “ “                                                      | 720          | “ “ “               | Lots 501-18 (A.S., 151).                                                                                                       |
| “ “                                                      | 195          | Aug. 16, 1787       | Lots 660-62 (A.S., 158; Lib. 260, p. 106).                                                                                     |
| Gouverneur, Isaac                                        | 1,424        | June 13, 1785       | Lots 1514-45 (A.S., 73; Lib. 55, p. 69).                                                                                       |
| Gouverneur, Nicholas, merchant                           | 480          | July 29, 1785       | One-third of five blocks comprising 120 lots on the West Farm (A.S., 82; Lib. 50, p. 464).                                     |
| “ “                                                      | 392          | “ “ “               | One-third of three blocks comprising 84 lots on the West Farm (A.S., 86; Lib. 50, p. 466).                                     |

| <i>Purchaser (cont.)</i>                               | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale</i> | <i>Description and Place of Record</i>                                         |
|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Gouverneur, Nicholas                                   | £ 392        | Oct. 7, 1785        | One-fourth of two pieces of land marked G and H (A.S., 93).                    |
| Gray, James, merchant                                  | 300          | June 29, 1786       | Lots 1714-16, 1727-29 (A.S., 118).                                             |
| Hallett, Joseph, merchant                              | 480          | Jan. 10, 1786       | Tract 19 on East Farm (A.S., 136).                                             |
| Hallett, Joseph and<br>Phoenix, Daniel, mer-<br>chants | 840          | Jan. 11, 1786       | Tract 16 on East Farm (A.S., 136).                                             |
| Hammond, Abijah, mer-<br>chant                         | 478          | June 29, 1786       | Lots 981-84, 997-1000 (A.S., 123).                                             |
| " "                                                    | 794          | " " "               | Lots 985-96 (A.S., 146).                                                       |
| " "                                                    | 350          | Aug. 18, 1787       | Lots 1075-78 and parcels marked F and G (A.S., 163; Lib. 73, p. 294).          |
| " "                                                    | 128          | June 29, 1786       | Lots 1293-96 (A.S., 166).                                                      |
| Harrey, Nicholas, cartman                              | 60           | Dec. 17, 1784       | Lots 316 and 343 (A.S., 41; Lib. 67, p. 310).                                  |
| Hembrow, John                                          | 152          | Dec. 4, 1784        | Lots 690-97 (A.S., 34; Lib. 241, p. 259).                                      |
| Hicks, Dennis, mariner                                 | 61 10s.      | Dec. 30, 1784       | Lots 1756-58 (A.S., 48).                                                       |
| Hill, Peter, gentleman                                 | 480          | July 29, 1785       | One-third of five blocks comprising 120 lots on the West Farm (A.S., 81).      |
| " "                                                    | 392          | " " "               | One-third of three blocks comprising 84 lots on the West Farm (A.S., 83).      |
| Hobart, John Sloss,<br>esquire                         | 672          | May 30, 1786        | Lots 838-45, 862-69 (A.S., 105).                                               |
| Houswert, Abraham                                      | 117          | Jan. 12, 1785       | Lots 44 and 51 (A.S., 54).                                                     |
| Howe, Bazeleel, merchant                               | 420          | Aug. 16, 1787       | Lots 347-49 (A.S., 158).                                                       |
| Huffman, John                                          | 120          | Dec. 17, 1784       | Lots 314-15, 344-45 (A.S., 42; Lib. 132, p. 424).                              |
| Hutton, Timothy, gentle-<br>man                        | 330          | Aug. 16, 1787       | Lots 359-61 (A.S., 160).                                                       |
| Ivers, Thomas, esquire                                 | 320          | June 29, 1786       | Lots 1231-34 (A.S., 120).                                                      |
| Jacobs, Philip, merchant                               | 910          | Aug. 16, 1787       | House and lot in Out Ward (A.S., 154; Lib. 61, p. 267).                        |
| Jordan, Margaret, widow                                | 48           | Dec. 7, 1784        | Lots 290 and 305 (A.S., 35).                                                   |
| Keating, John, merchant                                | 50           | June 13, 1785       | Lots 1242-49 (A.S., 74).                                                       |
| Kerr, Samuel, merchant                                 | 268          | June 29, 1786       | Lots 1219-22 (A.S., 134; Lib. 59, p. 16).                                      |
| Ketchum, Joshua                                        | 259          | June 6, 1785        | Lots 1828-34 (A.S., 67; Lib. 50, p. 310).                                      |
| Ketchum, Timothy, gentle-<br>man                       | 180          | Aug. 16, 1787       | Lot 117 (A.S., 166).                                                           |
| Keteltas, Peter, merchant                              | 66           | Dec. 30, 1784       | Lots 277-78 (A.S., 49; Lib. 49, p. 400).                                       |
| Kipp, Henry, merchant                                  | 392          | Nov. 19, 1784       | One-third of a block on the West Farm (A.S., 145; <i>Deed Books</i> , 22:248). |
| Klein, Mary, widow                                     | 171          | Nov. 16, 1784       | Lots 34-35 (A.S., 21).                                                         |
| Labuzan, Bartholomew,<br>gardener                      | 96           | May 10, 1785        | Lots 879-84 (A.S., 64).                                                        |
| Laight, Edward, merchant                               | 750          | Sept. 4, 1784       | Lot at Corlears Hook (A.S., 11; Lib. 84, p. 211).                              |
| Laight, William, merchant                              | 405          | Nov. 16, 1784       | Lot at Corlears Hook (A.S., 21; Lib. 79, p. 486).                              |
| Lamb, John, esquire                                    | 96           | Dec. 15, 1784       | Half of tract 3 on the East Farm (A.S., 144).                                  |
| Lawrence, John, attorney                               | 392          | Nov. 19, 1784       | One-third of a block on the West Farm (A.S., 24).                              |
| " "                                                    | 240          | Dec. 31, 1784       | Tract 4 on the East Farm (A.S., 50; Lib. 45, p. 330).                          |
| " "                                                    | 768          | Jan. 12, 1785       | Tract 23 on the West Farm (A.S., 53; <i>Deed Books</i> , 29:225).              |



| <i>Purchaser (cont.)</i>                               | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale</i> | <i>Description and Place of Record</i>                                       |
|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Lawrence, John                                         | £ 44         | Oct. 6, 1785        | Lots 114-15 (A.S., 92).                                                      |
| “ “                                                    | 600          | June 26, 1786       | Lots 1594-1601 (A.S., 112).                                                  |
| “ “                                                    | 330          | Aug. 16, 1787       | Lots 365-67 (A.S., 159; Lib. 85, p. 520).                                    |
| Lawrence, Jonathan, merchant, and George Fisher, baker | 1,288        | Dec. 17, 1785       | Lots 1329-56 (A.S., 96; Lib. 58, p. 521).                                    |
| Lawrence, Jonathan, merchant                           | 448          | Dec. 19, 1785       | Lots 1814-27 (A.S., 96; Lib. 58, p. 529).                                    |
| Lawrence, Thomas, gentleman                            | 888          | June 26, 1786       | Lots 1767-74 (A.S., 107; Lib. 64, p. 44).                                    |
| Lenox, Robert, merchant                                | 200          | June 29, 1786       | Lots 1215-18 (A.S., 133; Lib. 59, p. 17).                                    |
| Leonard, Elizabeth, widow                              | 411          | July 25, 1786       | Lots 13-14 (A.S., 120).                                                      |
| Leonard, William, inn-keeper                           | 200          | May 26, 1785        | Lots 66-67, 92-93 (A.S., 65).                                                |
| Levy, Hayman, merchant                                 | 95           | Dec. 4, 1784        | Lots 783-85, 797-800 (A.S., 56).                                             |
| Lewis, John, rigger                                    | 40           | Sept. 20, 1786      | Lots 913-20 (A.S., 149; Lib. 46, p. 184).                                    |
| Lewis, Morgan, esquire                                 | 874          | June 1, 1785        | Tract 8 and half of tract 17 on the East Farm (A.S., 66; Lib. 48, p. 278).   |
| “ “                                                    | 912          | Jan. 11, 1785       | 16 acres of salt meadow land (A.S., 151; Lib. 48, p. 277).                   |
| “ “                                                    | 576          | Sept. 30, 1784      | Lots 1867-98, 1835-42, 1859-66 (A.S., 167; Lib. 48, p. 276).                 |
| “ “                                                    | 300          | Jan. 11, 1785       | Tract 18 on the East Farm (A.S., 167; Lib. 53, p. 486).                      |
| Livingston, Henry, esquire                             | 944          | June 7, 1785        | Tract 9 and half of tract 17 on the East Farm (A.S., 68).                    |
| Livingston, Philip, gentleman                          | 1,048        | June 7, 1785        | Tract 13 and half of tract 12 on the East Farm (A.S., 69; Lib. 132, p. 513). |
| “ “                                                    | 392          | Sept. 30, 1784      | Lots 1674-1705 (A.S., 121; Lib. 132, p. 515).                                |
| “ “                                                    | 192          | “ “ “               | Half of block on the West Farm (lots 1843-58) (A.S., 167).                   |
| Lobson, Bartholomew, gardener                          | 99           | Nov. 18, 1784       | Lots 676-81 (A.S., 23).                                                      |
| Low, Samuel, gentleman                                 | 260          | Aug. 17, 1787       | Lots 618-21 (A.S., 166).                                                     |
| Lydig, Margaret, widow                                 | 370          | Dec. 4, 1784        | Lots 36-37, 58-59 (A.S., 33).                                                |
| Lynch, Dominick, merchant                              | 1,300        | Aug. 16, 1787       | Tract in Out Ward (A.S., 159; <i>Deed Books</i> , 27:372).                   |
| “ “                                                    | 1,760        | Aug. 17, 1787       | Lots 1357-88 (A.S., 162).                                                    |
| “ “                                                    | 200          | Aug. 18, 1787       | Lots 1730-33 (A.S., 164; <i>Deed Books</i> , 27:378).                        |
| McGuire, Dennis, yeoman                                | 270          | Aug. 16, 1787       | Lots 657-59 (A.S., 159).                                                     |
| McKesson, John, esquire                                | 180          | Dec. 13, 1784       | House and lots 5 and 6 (A.S., 148; Lib. 54, p. 348).                         |
| “ “                                                    | 80           | Aug. 24, 1784       | Lots 778-81 (A.S., 148; Lib. 62, p. 86).                                     |
| McKnight, Charles, physician                           | 560          | July 5, 1787        | Lots 220-35 (A.S., 154).                                                     |
| McLachlan, Michael, gentleman                          | 980          | June 22, 1786       | Lots 1119-30 (A.S., 119).                                                    |
| McLane, John                                           | 289          | June 29, 1787       | 10 lots in Out Ward (A.S., 168; <i>Deed Books</i> , 23:108).                 |
| Mason, John, minister                                  | 720          | June 26, 1786       | Lots 1281-84, 1289-92 (A.S., 134).                                           |
| Mesler, Peter, merchant                                | 359          | Dec. 10, 1784       | Lots 19-24 (A.S., 36).                                                       |
| Meyer, John R., gentleman                              | 113          | July 10, 1786       | Lots 641-48 (A.S., 109).                                                     |

| <i>Purchaser (cont.)</i>                 | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale</i> | <i>Description and Place of Record</i>                                                                                                                                                                |
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| Meyer, John R.                           | £ 794        | June 29, 1786       | Lots 1001-04, 1807-13 (A.S., 117).                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Miller, Charity, widow                   | 90           | Dec. 15, 1784       | Lots 1266-72 (A.S., 38; Lib. 50, p. 458).                                                                                                                                                             |
| Montgomery, Janet, widow                 | 1,032        | Oct. 7, 1786        | Half of tract 25 on the East Farm (A.S., 131; Lib. 63, p. 492).                                                                                                                                       |
| “ “                                      | 540          | “ “ “               | Tract 21 on the East Farm (A.S., 132; Lib. 63, p. 495).                                                                                                                                               |
| “ “                                      | 200          | “ “ “               | Half of tract 24 on the East Farm (A.S., 132; Lib. 63, p. 493).                                                                                                                                       |
| “ “                                      | 609          | “ “ “               | Tract 22 on the East Farm (A.S., 133; Lib. 63, p. 496).                                                                                                                                               |
| Moody, Andrew, esquire                   | 400          | June 22, 1786       | Lots 1131-34 (A.S., 107; Lib. 49, p. 487).                                                                                                                                                            |
| Mooney, Edward                           | 320          | July 25, 1785       | House and lot (A.S., 85; Lib. 260, p. 581).                                                                                                                                                           |
| Mordecai, Jacob, merchant                | 66           | Dec. 30, 1784       | Lots 275-76 (A.S., 46).                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Morrel, Mary, widow                      | 131          | Nov. 29, 1784       | Lots 46-47 (A.S., 28).                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Morris, David, pilot                     | 150          | Oct. 4, 1784        | Lots 105, 106, and half of 104 (A.S., 15; Lib. 43, p. 77).                                                                                                                                            |
| Morris, Lewis, esquire of South Carolina | 308          | June 26, 1786       | Lots 1610-13 (A.S., 122; Lib. 44, p. 405).                                                                                                                                                            |
| Moses, Isaac, merchant                   | 95           | Nov. 18, 1784       | Lots 792-96 (A.S., 23).                                                                                                                                                                               |
| “ “                                      | 256          | Feb. 22, 1785       | Lots 1430-37, 1454-61 (A.S., 57).                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Niven, Daniel, carpenter                 | 404          | June 26, 1786       | Lots 1763-66 (A.S., 135, Lib. 61, p. 383).                                                                                                                                                            |
| Norton, Isaac, gentleman                 | 240          | Aug. 17, 1787       | Lots 834-37 (A.S., 161).                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Ogden, Lewis, merchant                   | 480          | July 29, 1785       | One-third of five blocks comprising 120 lots on the West Farm (A.S., 81).                                                                                                                             |
| “ “                                      | 392          | “ “ “               | One-third of three blocks comprising 84 lots on the West Farm (A.S., 84).                                                                                                                             |
| “ “                                      | 392 3s. 4d.  | Oct. 7, 1785        | One-fourth of land marked G and H and one-third of land marked D, E, and F (A.S., 94).                                                                                                                |
| “ “                                      | 1,305        | Dec. 14, 1784       | A parcel described by the letters D, E, F, G, and H; also the land opposite to and in front of this parcel, lying between Crown Point Street and High Water Mark on the East River (Lib. 45, p. 193). |
| Ogilvie, Peter, attorney                 | 80           | Nov. 17, 1784       | Half of lots 1242-49 (A.S., 125).                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Oswold, Philip, grocer                   | 137          | Dec. 3, 1784        | Lots 291-92, 303-04 (A.S., 32; Lib. 42, p. 160).                                                                                                                                                      |
| Parsee, Jonathan                         | 123          | Feb. 25, 1785       | Lots 1438-45 (A.S., 59).                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Passenger, John, butcher                 | 461          | Jan. 21, 1785       | Lots 32 and 63 (A.S., 56; Lib. 99, p. 369).                                                                                                                                                           |
| Post, Anthony, carpenter                 | 77           | June 19, 1786       | Lot 8 (A.S., 130).                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Quackenbos, John, gentleman              | 160          | Oct. 6, 1784        | Lots 110-13 (A.S., 15; Lib. 42, p. 137).                                                                                                                                                              |
| “ “                                      | 890          | Oct. 22, 1784       | 2 lots at Corlears Hook (A.S., 17; Lib. 42, p. 138).                                                                                                                                                  |
| “ “                                      | 380          | Aug. 16, 1787       | Lots 443-46 (A.S., 160; Lib. 72, p. 194).                                                                                                                                                             |
| “ “                                      | 90           | Nov. 12, 1784       | Lots 284-85, 310-11 (A.S., 19; Lib. 42, p. 136).                                                                                                                                                      |
| “ “                                      | 1,386        | Jan. 24, 1786       | Tract 10 on the East Farm (A.S., 98).                                                                                                                                                                 |
| “ “                                      | 1,872        | “ “ “               | Tract 20 on the East Farm (A.S., 98).                                                                                                                                                                 |
| “ “                                      | 1,536        | Jan. 30, 1786       | Tract 15 on the East Farm (A.S., 98).                                                                                                                                                                 |
| “ “                                      | 159          | Jan. 31, 1786       | Tract at Corlears Hook (A.S., 100).                                                                                                                                                                   |
| “ “                                      | 608          | Feb. 3, 1786        | Lots 399-430 (A.S., 100; Lib. 51, p. 247).                                                                                                                                                            |

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| Quackenbos, John                                            | £ 81         | Feb. 25, 1786       | Lots 118-20 (A.S., 101).                                                                                                                                          |
| " "                                                         | 462          | Mar. 6, 1786        | Tract 7 on the East Farm (A.S., 101).                                                                                                                             |
| " "                                                         | 2,300        | Jan. 11, 1785       | Tract 28 on the East Farm (A.S., 103).                                                                                                                            |
| " "                                                         | 752          | May 31, 1785        | Lots 1037-68 (A.S., 141).                                                                                                                                         |
| " "                                                         | 1,294        | June 29, 1786       | Tract 27 on the East Farm (A.S., 142).                                                                                                                            |
| Quick, Luke C., measurer                                    | 342          | Dec. 17, 1784       | Lots 97-99, 124-26 (A.S., 41).                                                                                                                                    |
| Ray, Cornelius, merchant                                    | 388          | June 20, 1785       | Lots 588-603, 610-13, 638-41 (A.S., 106; Lib. 272, p. 57).                                                                                                        |
| " "                                                         | 500          | Aug. 16, 1787       | Lots 355-58 (A.S., 159).                                                                                                                                          |
| Reed, Jacob, esquire                                        | 2,000        | " " "               | Lots 128-31, 136-39 (A.S., 156).                                                                                                                                  |
| " "                                                         | 940          | " " "               | Lots 216-19 (A.S., 157).                                                                                                                                          |
| Romayne, Nicholas, physician                                | 810          | Oct. 15, 1784       | Parcel at Corlears Hook on the north side of Crown Point St. and lots opposite to the front of the said parcel (Lib. 56, p. 499).                                 |
| Roome, Henry, merchant                                      | 245          | Nov. 29, 1784       | Tract at Corlears Hook (A.S. 29; Lib. 357, p. 394).                                                                                                               |
| Roosevelt, Cornelius C., merchant                           | 1,120        | Aug. 16, 1787       | House and lots 96 and 127 (A.S., 155).                                                                                                                            |
| Roosevelt, Isaac, esquire                                   | 1,240        | May 30, 1786        | Lots 371-98, 1462-85, 1622-45, 1783-1806 (A.S., 105; Lib. 51, p. 254).                                                                                            |
| " "                                                         | 560          | June 21, 1786       | Lots 722-53 (A.S., 121; Lib. 51, p. 253).                                                                                                                         |
| " "                                                         | 392          | Nov. 19, 1784       | One-third of block on the West Farm (A.S., 145).                                                                                                                  |
| Saidler, James, merchant                                    | 480          | Aug. 16, 1787       | Lots 236-39 (A.S., 157).                                                                                                                                          |
| Sanders, John, gardener                                     | 180          | June 6, 1785        | Lots 475-80 (A.S., 68).                                                                                                                                           |
| Sands, Comfort and Dunlap, James, merchants                 | 1,700        | Aug. 16, 1784       | Tract and buildings in the Out Ward (A.S., 129).                                                                                                                  |
| Schultz, Christian, baker                                   | 196          | Nov. 19, 1784       | Lots 706-13 (A.S., 25; Lib. 54, p. 213).                                                                                                                          |
| Shaw, Daniel, gentleman                                     | 336          | Oct. 15, 1785       | Lots 854-61 (A.S., 94).                                                                                                                                           |
| " "                                                         | 656          | June 26, 1785       | Lots 1602-09 (A.S., 113; Lib. 69, p. 115).                                                                                                                        |
| Sherwood, Moses                                             | 96           | Dec. 2, 1784        | Lots 1081-86 (A.S., 31; Lib. 44, p. 206).                                                                                                                         |
| " "                                                         | 149          | " " "               | Lots 102, 103, and half of 104 (A.S., 31; Lib. 44, p. 204).                                                                                                       |
| Siemon, John, furrier                                       | 220          | Aug. 16, 1787       | Lots 353-54 (A.S., 159; Lib. 55, p. 343).                                                                                                                         |
| Smith, Adam, gardener                                       | 41           | Sept. 27, 1784      | Lot 108 (A.S., 14; Lib. 66, p. 147).                                                                                                                              |
| Smith, James                                                | 72           | July 10, 1786       | Lots 649-56 (A.S., 109; Lib. 115, p. 551).                                                                                                                        |
| Smith, Sarah, spinster                                      | 336          | May 30, 1786        | Lots 846-53 (A.S., 105; Lib. 101, p. 77).                                                                                                                         |
| Smith, William, block-maker                                 | 102 10s.     | Dec. 30, 1784       | Lots 1751-55 (A.S., 47; Lib. 42, p. 188).                                                                                                                         |
| Snyder, William, shop-keeper                                | 529          | Dec. 15, 1784       | Lots 9-10 (A.S., 39; Lib. 185, p. 306).                                                                                                                           |
| " "                                                         | 213          | " " "               | Lots 100-01, 122-23 (A.S., 40).                                                                                                                                   |
| Somerndike, John, farmer of Bloomingdale on New York Island | 2,500        | July 27, 1785       | Tract to the north of the Great Hills on New York Island; also a 200 acre tract on the west side of New York Island fronting Hudson River on the west (A.S., 78). |
| Spicer, Abigail, widow                                      | 58           | Dec. 31, 1784       | Lots 1588-89 (A.S., 49; Lib. 54, p. 186).                                                                                                                         |
| " "                                                         | 29           | July 10, 1786       | Lot 1587 (A.S., 149; Lib. 54, p. 187).                                                                                                                            |
| Stagg, John junior, gentleman                               | 225          | Aug. 16, 1787       | Lots 663-65 (A.S., 158; Lib. 51, p. 382).                                                                                                                         |
| Stiles, Mary, widow                                         | 95           | Sept. 1, 1784       | Lot 40 (A.S., 138).                                                                                                                                               |

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| Stockholm, Aaron, gentleman               | £ 220        | Aug. 17, 1787       | Lots 822-25 (A.S., 162).                                                      |
| “ “                                       | 670          | Aug. 18, 1786       | Lots 1068-74, 1079-85 (A.S., 163).                                            |
| “ “                                       | 440          | Aug. 18, 1787       | Lots 1706-09, 1734-37 (A.S., 163).                                            |
| Stringham, Joseph, merchant               | 34           | Dec. 17, 1784       | Lot 109 (A.S., 42).                                                           |
| “ “                                       | 664          | June 29, 1786       | Lots 977-80, 1285-88 (A.S., 111).                                             |
| “ “                                       | 180          | June 20, 1786       | Lots 582-87, 604-09 (A.S., 137).                                              |
| Swan, Caleb, gentleman                    | 960          | Aug. 16, 1787       | Lots on the West Farm marked A, B, C, and D (A.S., 157; Lib. 46, p. 67).      |
| Taylor, George                            | 1,612        | June 22, 1786       | Lots 1135-50 (A.S., 110; Lib. 50, p. 293).                                    |
| Ten Brook, Henry, merchant                | 116          | June 10, 1786       | Lots 431-34, 459-62 (A.S., 110; Lib. 79, p. 381).                             |
| “ “ “                                     | 852          | June 26, 1786       | Lots 1203-06, 1211-14, 1590-93 (A.S., 112).                                   |
| Thurston, William, blacksmith             | 80           | Sept. 20, 1786      | Parcel being “the East Division” of lots 913-20 (A.S., 130; Lib. 45, p. 332). |
| Tiebout, Henry, gentleman                 | 1,189        | May 31, 1785        | Lots 1546-77 (A.S., 128).                                                     |
| Tier, Daniel, inn-keeper                  | 300          | Dec. 7, 1784        | Lots 45 and 50, 64-65, 94-95 (A.S., 127; Lib. 73, p. 330).                    |
| Tier, Mathew, blacksmith                  | 130          | “ “ “               | Lot 41 (A.S., 34; Lib. 42, p. 162).                                           |
| Tilford, George, gardener                 | 207          | Jan. 12, 1785       | Lots 250-52, 279-81 (A.S., 53; Lib. 159, p. 449).                             |
| Toumelong, Dorothy                        | 65           | Dec. 11, 1784       | Parcel in Out Ward (A.S., 38; Lib. 42, p. 300).                               |
| Tsimerman, Henry, gardener                | 186          | Nov. 20, 1784       | Lots 526-28, 555-57 (A.S., 26; Lib. 77, p. 399).                              |
| Tzimmerman, Henry senior                  | 120          | Dec. 4, 1784        | Lots 497-500, 519-22 (A.S., 33; Lib. 277, p. 375).                            |
| “ “                                       | 126          | Dec. 7, 1784        | Lots 288-89, 306-07 (A.S., 35; Lib. 277, p. 374).                             |
| United Lutheran Churches in New York City | 150          | Jan. 7, 1785        | Lots 494-96, 523-25 (A.S., 54).                                               |
| Van Antwerp, Simon, merchant              | 315          | Aug. 16, 1787       | Lots 350-52 (A.S., 158; Lib. 51, p. 381).                                     |
| Van Cortlandt, Pierre, esquire            | 145          | Aug. 18, 1787       | Triangle lot E on the West Farm (A.S., 164).                                  |
| Vandewater, Albertus, surgeon             | 108          | Dec. 24, 1784       | Lots 874-88 (A.S., 43).                                                       |
| “ “                                       | 128          | “ “ “               | Lots 714-21 (A.S., 44).                                                       |
| “ “                                       | 400          | “ “ “               | Lots 921-28, 945-52 (A.S., 44; Lib. 105, p. 570).                             |
| “ “                                       | 85           | “ “ “               | Lots 530, 553-54 (A.S., 45).                                                  |
| “ “                                       | 276          | “ “ “               | Lots 1297-1304, 1273-80 (A.S., 45).                                           |
| Van Horne, Garrit, merchant               | 300          | May 31, 1785        | Lots 1717-26 (A.S., 168).                                                     |
| Van Zandt, Peter Pra, esquire             | 260          | Sept. 10, 1785      | Lots 76-77, 80-83 (A.S., 88).                                                 |
| Varian, Isaac, butcher                    | 360          | Oct. 6, 1785        | Lots 71-73, 86-88 (A.S., 92).                                                 |
| Varrian, Michael, butcher                 | 220          | “ “ “               | Lots 469-74, 481-86 (A.S., 92).                                               |
| Vaugh, John, lime burner                  | 165          | Jan. 14, 1786       | House and lot in Out Ward (A.S., 97; Deed Books, 25:411).                     |

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| Vicker, Philip                  | £ 80         | Sept. 25, 1784      | Lots 255-56 (A.S., 13).                                         |
| Walker, Benjamin, esquire       | 93           | Nov. 13, 1784       | Lots 786-91 (A.S., 20).                                         |
| Walker, James, merchant         | 125          | Aug. 17, 1787       | Lots 871-73 (A.S., 162; Lib. 98, p. 257).                       |
| Walsh, Hugh, tallow<br>chandler | 368          | June 26, 1786       | Lots 1759-62 (A.S., 135).                                       |
| Watkies, Mary                   | 200          | Aug. 24, 1784       | House and lot in the North Ward (A.S., 147; Lib. 55, p. 14).    |
| Webbers, John                   | 200          | Oct. 25, 1785       | One lot in Out Ward (A.S., 95).                                 |
| Webbers, Peter, grocer          | 90           | Oct. 17, 1785       | Lots 257-58, 273-74 (A.S., 95).                                 |
| Whiteman, Jacob                 | 164          | Dec. 15, 1784       | Lots 15-16 (A.S., 39).                                          |
| Willett, Marinus, esquire       | 96           | Feb. 22, 1785       | Lots 1446-51 (A.S., 57).                                        |
| " "                             | 96           | Dec. 15, 1784       | Half of tract 3 on the East Farm (A.S., 144; Lib. 192, p. 563). |
| Williams, Daniel, farmer        | 190          | Aug. 16, 1787       | Lot 878 (A.S., 155; Lib. 98, p. 427).                           |
| Workhart, George, gardener      | 131 10s.     | Sept. 25, 1784      | Lots 465-68, 487-91 (A.S., 14; Lib. 42, p. 7).                  |
| Wright, Jotham, carpenter       | 120          | Aug. 16, 1787       | Lot 368 (A.S., 165).                                            |
| Young, Ebenezer, shipwright     | 224          | June 20, 1786       | Lots 240-43, 614-17, 634-37 (A.S., 108).                        |
| " "                             | 1,080        | Aug. 16, 1787       | Lots 212-15 (A.S., 157).                                        |

*The Estates of Other Loyalists in New York County*

| <i>Loyalist Owner</i> | <i>Purchaser</i>                                           | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale, Description, and Place of Record</i>                                                                           |
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| Oliver DeLancey       | Isaac Roosevelt, esq.                                      | £2,660       | Aug. 16, 1784; tract on Broadway in the West Ward (A.S., 102; Lib. 51, p. 243).                                                 |
| " "                   | William Denning, esq.                                      | 1,750        | May 30, 1785; Two tracts and one water lot in the West Ward (A.S., 152; Lib. 45, p. 43).                                        |
| " "                   | " "                                                        | 950          | June 19, 1786; land and water lot in the West Ward (A.S., 152; Lib. 45, p. 46).                                                 |
| " "                   | Charles McKnight,<br>physician                             | 350          | Sept. 27, 1786; land in the South Ward (A.S., 153).                                                                             |
| " "                   | William Boyd, gentleman                                    | 250          | Aug. 18, 1787; tract in West Ward (A.S., 164).                                                                                  |
| Thomas Jones          | Morgan Lewis, esq.                                         | 1,400        | Dec. 21, 1784; two houses and lots at Mount Pitt (A.S., 43).                                                                    |
| " "                   | " "                                                        | 970          | Aug. 2, 1785; tract and buildings in the Out Ward (A.S., 86; Lib. 43, p. 36).                                                   |
| John Watts the elder  | Robert and John Watts,<br>gentlemen                        | 100          | June 16, 1784; 11 9/10 acres of salt meadow land in the Out Ward (A.S., 1).                                                     |
| " "                   | " " "                                                      | 2,000        | June 16, 1784; farm in the Out Ward (A.S., 1).                                                                                  |
| " "                   | " " "                                                      | 500          | June 16, 1784; lot in the South Ward (A.S., 1; Lib. 116, p. 347).                                                               |
| Roger Morris          | John Berrien, merchant,<br>and Isaac Ledyard,<br>physician | 2,250        | July 9, 1784; House, barn, stables, out-houses, and 115 acre farm in the Out Ward on Harlem Heights (A.S., 6; Lib. 47, p. 452). |



| <i>Loyalist Owner (cont.)</i> | <i>Purchaser</i>                              | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale, Description, and Place of Record</i>                                                                                                                       |
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| Morris, Roger                 | John Lamb, esq., and John Delameter, merchant | £ 760        | June 8, 1785; tract in the South Ward (A.S., 69).                                                                                                                           |
| Frederick Philipse            | Adam Gilchrist, merchant                      | 350          | Oct. 21, 1784; five-sided lot in the South Ward (A.S., 17).                                                                                                                 |
| " "                           | " "                                           | 96           | Apr. 23, 1784; Stable and lot in the South Ward (Lib. 41, p. 260; <i>N. Y. State Treasurer's Journal</i> , 2:314; <i>N. Y. State Treasurer's Accounts</i> , box 1, p. 252). |
| " "                           | Henry Wyckoff, merchant                       | 1,225        | July 6, 1784; House and lot in Dock Ward (A.S., 4).                                                                                                                         |
| " "                           | " "                                           | 1,200        | May 3, 1784; House and lot in the Dock Ward (Lib. 139, p. 123; <i>N. Y. State Treasurer's Journal</i> , 2:314; <i>N. Y. State Treasurer's Accounts</i> , box 1, p. 252).    |
| " " and                       |                                               |              |                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Beverley Robinson             | Isaac Hubble                                  | 1,570        | June 14, 1785; Piece of land in the South Ward (A.S., 74; Lib. 44, p. 145).                                                                                                 |
| Robert Bayard                 | Morgan Lewis, esq.                            | 1,200        | July 8, 1785; House and lot in the North Ward (A.S., 75).                                                                                                                   |
| " "                           | " "                                           | 1,500        | May 8, 1784; House and lot in Maiden Lane (Lib. 42, p. 220; <i>N. Y. State Treasurer's Journal</i> , 2:326; <i>N. Y. State Treasurer's Accounts</i> , box 1, p. 253).       |
| " "                           | Christopher Hutton                            | 630          | July 28, 1784; Farm and building in the Out Ward at Bloomingdale (A.S., 6).                                                                                                 |
| " "                           | Philip Kissick, merchant                      | 46 10s.      | Nov. 6, 1784; lots 952, 1003, and 1086 in the Out Ward (A.S., 19).                                                                                                          |
| " "                           | " "                                           | 10s.         | Apr. 20, 1785; the right of a road through a parcel of land (A.S., 62).                                                                                                     |
| " "                           | John Plantain, shop-keeper                    | 295          | Sept. 21, 1784; House and lot in Crown Street (A.S., 12; Lib. 41, p. 500).                                                                                                  |
| William Bayard                | John R. Meyer                                 | 1,350        | Aug. 6, 1784; two houses and a lot in the Dock Ward (A.S., 7).                                                                                                              |
| " "                           | John Thompson, merchant                       | 1,200        | July 28, 1785; House and lot in the East Ward (A.S., 79; Lib. 84, p. 273).                                                                                                  |
| " "                           | Melancton Smith and Henry Wyckoff, merchants  | 1,020        | July 28, 1785; House, storehouse, and lot in Dock Ward (A.S., 80).                                                                                                          |
| " "                           | Peter Mesier, merchant                        | 890          | Feb. 23, 1785; House and lot in Dock Ward (A.S., 58; Lib. 48, p. 536).                                                                                                      |
| " "                           | Thomas McFarren, merchant                     | 850          | Sept. 13, 1785; Water lot and dock in Dock Ward (A.S., 89).                                                                                                                 |
| " "                           | James Abeel, merchant                         | 710          | July 26, 1785; House and lot in Dock Ward (A.S., 77).                                                                                                                       |
| " "                           | Charles McKnight, physician                   | 1,050        | Sept. 27, 1786; Mansion House and 2½ acres of land in the Out Ward at Greenwich (A.S., 153).                                                                                |

| <i>Loyalist Owner (cont.)</i> | <i>Purchaser</i>                              | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale, Description, and Place of Record</i>                                                                                                                                               |
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| William Bayard                | William Boyd, gentleman                       | £ 580        | Aug. 16, 1787; Tract of land in the South Ward (A.S., 165).                                                                                                                                         |
| " "                           | Richard Varick, esq.                          | 545          | Jan. 13, 1785; Lot in the South Ward (A.S., 55; Lib. 238, p. 132).                                                                                                                                  |
| Alexander Wallace             | John Quackenbos                               | 25           | July 8, 1784; Lot 825 in Out Ward (A.S., 5).                                                                                                                                                        |
| Hugh and Alexander Wallace    | Henry Will, pewterer                          | 1,300        | July 12, 1784; Lot 15 and two store-houses in the East Ward (A.S., 51).                                                                                                                             |
| Hugh Wallace                  | Nicholas Low, merchant                        | 3,300        | Apr. 23, 1784; two messuages, dwelling house, and lots in the East Ward (Lib. 41, p. 330; <i>N. Y. State Treasurer's Journal</i> , 2:313; <i>N. Y. State Treasurer's Accounts</i> , box 1, p. 252). |
| James Jauncey                 | William Malcom, esq.                          | 1,700        | June 29, 1784; Water lot, house, and store-houses in Montgomery Ward (A.S., 2; Lib. 42, p. 268).                                                                                                    |
| " "                           | Marinus Willett                               | 1,200        | Mar. 11, 1785; House and lot in East Ward (A.S., 61).                                                                                                                                               |
| " "                           | John Maley, merchant                          | 1,600        | July 28, 1784; House and lot in Montgomery Ward (A.S., 6; Lib. 44, p. 330).                                                                                                                         |
| " "                           | John Delafield, merchant                      | 1,500        | Oct. 19, 1784; House and lot in Montgomery Ward (A.S., 16; Lib. 43, p. 130).                                                                                                                        |
| " "                           | John Carrow                                   | 625          | June 29, 1784; House and lot in North Ward (A.S., 2; Lib. 41, p. 335).                                                                                                                              |
| " "                           | Campbell, George, gardener                    | 270          | Sept. 24, 1784; House and lot in Out Ward, 1¾ acres (A.S., 12).                                                                                                                                     |
| " "                           | John Lamb, esq., and John Delameter, merchant | 675          | Mar. 1, 1785; House and lot in East Ward (A.S., 139; Lib. 44, p. 144).                                                                                                                              |
| " "                           | Isaac Stoutenburgh junior, gentleman          | 315          | July 28, 1784; one and a half lots in West Ward (A.S., 146).                                                                                                                                        |
| " "                           | John McKesson, clerk of the Supreme Court     | 1,750        | June 24, 1784; House and lot in East Ward (A.S., 3; Lib. 41, p. 333).                                                                                                                               |
| Henry White                   | John Quackenbos and Marinus Willett           | 225          | July 28, 1784; One lot (A.S., 7).                                                                                                                                                                   |
| " "                           | John Quackenbos                               | 225          | July 28, 1784; One lot (A.S., 7).                                                                                                                                                                   |
| " "                           | Henry White junior, gentleman                 | 519 12s. 5d. | Mar. 10, 1785; House and two lots in West Ward (A.S., 60).                                                                                                                                          |
| " "                           | " "                                           | 45           | Mar. 10, 1785; Water lot in West Ward (A.S., 61).                                                                                                                                                   |
| " "                           | " "                                           | 21,500       | June 19, 1785; Dwelling, lot, store-houses, stables in Out Ward (A.S., 115; Lib. 47, p. 9).                                                                                                         |

| <i>Loyalist Owner (cont.)</i> | <i>Purchaser</i>                    | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale, Description, and Place of Record</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| Thomas White                  | Anna White, widow of Thomas White   | £3,500       | June 30, 1784; All those lots in North Ward and in the garden called the Vineyard (A.S., 4; Lib. 43, p. 324).                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Isaac Low                     | Sebastian Bauman, esq.              | 1,150        | Aug. 5, 1784; Two houses and lots (A.S., 8; Lib. 43; p. 113).                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| " "                           | Isaac Moses, merchant               | 4,500        | Mar. 7, 1785; Two houses and a lot in the Dock Ward (Lib. 43, p. 164; <i>N. Y. State Treasurer's Accounts</i> , box 1, p. 292).                                                                                                                                                     |
| John Weatherhead              | John Stoutenburg, gentleman         | 220          | Sept. 12, 1785; Tract in West Ward (A.S., 88).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| " "                           | Rachel Weatherhead                  | 498 5s. 6d.  | Sept. 4, 1784; One house and three lots (A.S., 11).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| " "                           | John R. Livingston                  | 450          | Apr. 15, 1784; Lot of ground in West Ward, together with water lot adjoining thereto (Lib. 383, p. 60; <i>N. Y. State Treasurer's Journal</i> , 2:332; <i>N. Y. State Treasurer's Accounts</i> , box 1, p. 253).                                                                    |
| William Axtell                | John Quackenbos                     | 190          | July 28, 1784; Lot 12 in the West Ward (A.S., 8; Lib. 42, p. 133).                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| " "                           | Nicholas Quackenbos                 | 240          | July 28, 1784; Lot 1 in the North Ward (A.S., 8; Lib. 96, p. 65).                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| John Harris Cruger            | Malachi Treat, physician            | 800          | July 8, 1784; House and lot in the North Ward (A.S., 9; Lib. 42, p. 277).                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| George Folliot                | George Scriba, merchant             | 2,200        | Apr. 23, 1784; House and lot in the East Ward (Lib. 47, p. 405; <i>N. Y. State Treasurer's Journal</i> , 2:313; <i>N. Y. State Treasurer's Accounts</i> , box 1, p. 252).                                                                                                           |
| " "                           | John Young                          | 550          | On May 4, 1784, the State Treasurer recorded in his books that he received £550 from John Young for a house and lot near the Fly Market, late George Folliot's property ( <i>N. Y. State Treasurer's Journal</i> , 2:314; <i>N. Y. State Treasurer's Accounts</i> , box 1, p. 252). |
| Waldron Blauw                 | Eleanor Blauw                       | 1,001        | June 23, 1784; House and lot in the South Ward (A.S., 4).                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| " "                           | Jacobus Bruyn, esq.                 | 850          | Sept. 4, 1784; Water lot in Dock Ward (A.S., 10; Lib. 50, p. 486).                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| " "                           | John Maley, merchant                | 850          | July 28, 1784; House and lot in Dock Ward (A.S., 13; Lib. 44, p. 329).                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| John Watts                    | John McKesson                       | 380          | June 8, 1785; four lots (A.S., 70).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Joshua T. De St. Croix        | Comfort and Joshua Sands, merchants | 800          | May 18, 1786; two lots with the appurtenances in Montgomery Ward (A.S., 104; Lib. 155, p. 431).                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| " "                           | William Newton, mariner             | 700          | July 2, 1784; House and lot in Montgomery Ward (A.S., 3; Lib. 42, p. 70).                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

| <i>Loyalist Owner (cont.)</i>   | <i>Purchaser</i>            | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale, Description, and Place of Record</i>                                                                                        |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Joseph Gidney                   | William Strachan            | £ 550        | June 16, 1784; Two lots in the West Ward (A.S., 9).                                                                                          |
| John Griggs                     | John Murray, merchant       | 10           | July 10, 1786; House and two lots in the Out Ward (A.S., 143).                                                                               |
| " "                             | John Lake, gentleman        | 30           | July 10, 1784; Five lots in the Out Ward (A.S., 127).                                                                                        |
| James Leonard                   | Anthony Post, carpenter     | 225          | July 8, 1784; House and lot in West Ward (A.S., 5).                                                                                          |
| Robert McGinnis                 | John Brown, gentleman       | 475          | Aug. 27, 1784; House and lot in Montgomery Ward (A.S., 10; Lib. 54, p. 284).                                                                 |
| Edmund Ward                     | Henry Tiebout               | 1,150        | July 8, 1784; Two houses and lots in West Ward (A.S., 5).                                                                                    |
| David Matthews and Thomas White | John Quackenbos             | 62           | July 28, 1784; Three lots in Out Ward—2 drawn in Nicholas Bayard's Lottery by David Matthews, and the third drawn by Thomas White (A.S., 6). |
| (not cited)                     | Nicholas Romaine, physician | 250          | Sept. 4, 1784; House and lot in the North Ward (A.S., 13).                                                                                   |

B. KINGS COUNTY<sup>1</sup>

|                 |                                     |        |                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Abraham Rapalje | Alexander Whaley, blacksmith        | £ 525  | Mar. 21, 1785. Twenty-three acres of land in Bushwick (Lib. 6, p. 344A; Lib. 6, p. 340; <i>Original Releases to the State</i> , 1:75).                                                                       |
| John Rapalje    | Comfort and Joshua Sands, merchants | 12,430 | July 13, 1784. One hundred and sixty acre farm, dwelling houses, barns, buildings, stables, and other improvements in Brooklyn (Lib. 6, p. 344A; Lib. 29, p. 335; also cited in <i>Deed Books</i> , 20:360). |
| " "             | Morgan Lewis, esquire               | 1,300  | Aug. 6, 1784. Messuage and eighty acre farm in the Township of Brooklyne (Lib. 6, p. 344E; also cited in <i>Deed Books</i> , 20:360).                                                                        |
| " "             | John Johnson                        | 190    | Aug. 5, 1784. House, lot, and a tract of salt meadow (Lib. 6, p. 344C; also cited in <i>Deed Books</i> , 20:360).                                                                                            |

## 1. Sources:

"Copy of Abstracts of Sales of Forfeited Estates in Kings County, Filed in the Clerk's Office of the said County by Isaac Stoutenburgh and Philip Van Cortlandt, Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Southern District. Filed June 26, 1785. Jacob Sharpe junior, Clerk," recorded in *Deeds, Kings County*, Lib. 6, pp. 344A-344F.

*Liber of Conveyances (Deeds)* recorded in the Office of the Register of Kings County (cited according to Liber and page).

*Deed Books*, Division of the Land Office of the Department of State, Albany. Volume 20, page 360 contains a certificate of the sale of the estate of John Rapalje, dated July 4, 1785 and signed by Isaac Stoutenburgh and Philip Van Cortlandt.

| <i>Loyalist Owner (cont.)</i> | <i>Purchaser</i>                                     | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale, Description, and Place of Record</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
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| John Rapalje                  | James Bates                                          | £ 65         | Aug. 5, 1784. Parcel of salt meadow in the Township of Flatlands (Lib. 6, p. 344C; also cited in <i>Deed Books</i> , 20:360).                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| " "                           | Henry Will, pewterer,<br>and John Maley,<br>merchant | 275          | Aug. 5, 1784. Lot in the Township of New Utrecht (Lib. 6, p. 344B. Henry Will is cited alone as the purchaser in <i>Deed Books</i> , 20:360).                                                                                                                                                                              |
| " "                           | Malachi Treat,<br>physician                          | 200          | Aug. 28, 1784. Two lots of woodland in Brooklyn, comprising 20 acres and 30 perches (Lib. 6, p. 344F; Benjamin Walker is cited as the purchaser in <i>Deed Books</i> , 20:360).                                                                                                                                            |
| Volkert Sprung                | John Lawrence,<br>attorney                           | 250          | Dec. 9, 1784. Messuage and 300 acre farm in the Township of Flatlands (Lib. 6, p. 344D).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| (not cited)                   | Aquila Giles, esq.                                   | 201          | June 16, 1784. Ten acre lot of woodland in the Township of New Utrecht; a seven acre parcel of salt meadow land in Flatbush; another parcel of salt meadow in the Township of Flatbush, comprising five acres (Lib. 6, p. 344B).                                                                                           |
| " "                           | " "                                                  | 1,100        | Oct. 21, 1784. A twenty-five acre parcel of land, together with the house, barn, out-houses, appurtenances, and improvements thereunto belonging, in the Township of Flatbush; a parcel of woodland in the Township of Brooklyne, comprising ten acres; and a five acre lot in Brooklyn (Lib. 6, p. 344D; Lib. 9, p. 478). |
| " "                           | Samuel Striker,<br>yeoman                            | 850          | Apr. 19, 1785. House and sundry parcels comprising 34¼ acres at Gravesend in Kings County (Lib. 6, pp. 344E-344F).                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

C. QUEENS COUNTY<sup>1</sup>

|                   |                 |        |                                                                                                    |
|-------------------|-----------------|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Johannes Polhemus | Marinus Willett | £1,650 | Nov. 29, 1784. Two hundred acres (Onderdonk, p. 67).                                               |
| Dow Van Dine      | Thomas McFarren | 1,900  | May 18, 1784. Two hundred acre farm in Newtown (Onderdonk, p. 67; <i>Assembly Papers</i> , 27:25). |

1. On May 6, 1788, Isaac Stoutenburgh, one of the Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Southern District, certified that he had "filed Abstracts of Sales of Forfeited Estates in the Clerk's Office of Queens County amounting to twelve Folio of 120 Words each." (*Rev. MSS*, Vol. 46, box 1). Abraham Skinner, Clerk of Queens County, was paid 18s. for recording them (*N. Y. State Treasurer's Accounts*,



| <i>Loyalist Owner (cont.)</i> | <i>Purchaser</i>               | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale, Description, and Place of Record</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| David Colden                  | William Cornwell,<br>yeoman    | £1,800       | July 30, 1784. Messuage and 240 acre farm in the Township of Flushing ( <i>Deeds, Queens Co., Lib. H</i> , p. 39; Onderdonk, p. 67).                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Henry Lloyd                   | John Lloyd junior              | 2,900        | Aug. 5, 1784. Seven hundred acre farm and tenements at Lloyd's Neck in Queens Village; also a small tract of salt meadow ground ( <i>Deeds, Queens Co., Lib. E</i> , p. 474; Onderdonk, p. 67).                                                                                                                                       |
| Daniel Kissam                 | Peggy Kissam                   | 2,000        | Aug. 5, 1784. Tenements and 330 acre farm in the Township of North Hempstead ( <i>Deeds, New York Co., Lib. 41</i> , p. 490; Onderdonk, p. 67).                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| George Folliot                | Abraham Skinner                | 500          | Aug. 21, 1784. Twenty-one acre parcel (Onderdonk, p. 67).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Joseph Ford                   | Melancton Smith, merchant      | 450          | Nov. 17, 1784. Tenements and four acre parcel of land in the Township of Jamaica ( <i>Deeds, Queens Co., Lib. R</i> , p. 50; Onderdonk, p. 67).                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Gabriel George Ludlow         | John Berrien and Isaac Ledyard | 800          | Aug. 5, 1784. One hundred and forty acres (Onderdonk, p. 67).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| George Duncan Ludlow          | Israel Wells, merchant         | 2,000        | Nov. 17, 1784. Three hundred acre farm at Hempstead Plains (Onderdonk, p. 67). On selling the property, Wells cited the acreage at 400 or more ( <i>Deeds, Queens Co., Lib. F</i> , p. 135).                                                                                                                                          |
| " "                           | Charles McKnight, physician    | 265          | Mar. 12, 1785. Three parcels of land comprising 26 acres ( <i>Assembly Papers, 27:236; Original Releases to the State, 2:13; Onderdonk, p. 67</i> ).                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Thomas Jones                  | Isaac Smith                    | 40           | July 10, 1793. "All the meadows fresh and salt lying on the South Side of Long Island joining to the Beach—between the Gut called Massapage west or thereabouts and the West Gut called Merrick Gut and the Hammocks and Broken Meadows lying between Oyster-bay Meadow and the beach with the privilege of the Beach to the Salt Sea |

box 1, p. 355). Notwithstanding a persistent search, the author has been unable to locate these abstracts. The information cited here is drawn from the following sources:

Henry Onderdonk junior, *Queens County in Olden Times* (Jamaica, N. Y., 1865).

*Libers of Conveyances (Deeds)* recorded in the Office of the Register of Queens County (cited according to Liber and page).

*Assembly Papers*, State Library, Albany.

*Libers of Conveyances (Deeds)* recorded in the Office of the Register of New York County (cited according to Liber and page).

*Original Releases to the State*, Division of the Land Office of the Department of State, Albany.

*Land Papers*, Division of Engineering of the Department of Public Works, Albany.

| <i>Loyalist Owner (cont.)</i>  | <i>Purchaser</i>                      | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale, Description, and Place of Record</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| D. SUFFOLK COUNTY <sup>1</sup> |                                       |              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Richard Floyd                  | Benjamin Floyd                        | £3,112       | Aug. 5, 1784. Messuage and 600 acre farm in the Township of Brookhaven; also half of a tract of woodland, "the quantity of acres in the said last mentioned Tract of Land not ascertained" (A.S., 3; <i>Deed Books</i> , 22:133).                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| " "                            | Benjamin Tallmadge and Caleb Brewster | 730          | Aug. 5, 1784. Tract of land called "the middle of the Island Farm" in the Township of Brookhaven, comprising 4½ lots and containing 320 acres, "reserving to William Floyd Esquire and to his Heirs and Assigns one Lot and one half Lot of the above described Lands claimed by him as his property" (A.S., 2).                                                                                                          |
| " "                            | " "                                   | 288          | Aug. 5, 1784. Four lots of meadow land at a place called Nocamack in the Township of Brookhaven, comprising 32 acres (A.S., 3).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| George Muirson                 | Mills Philips, yeoman                 | 914          | Aug. 3, 1784. Messuage and farm consisting of sundry lots; barn and other outhouses; a tract of land in the Old Field; seven lots in the west meadow division, distinguished by the numbers 3, 4, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 35, and the easterly half of lot 33 and half of lot 34; and two small pieces of land called "amendments"—containing in all about 150 acres (A.S., 3-4; <i>Deeds, Suffolk Co., Lib. D</i> , p. 206). |
| " "                            | Joseph Brewster                       | 300          | Aug. 5, 1784. Tract of land distinguished by the name of "the long Lots"; a lot lying on the Covam Road, known as the "Benjamin Strong Lot"; a lot known as the "John Joiner Farm"; and a lot lying on Nassihig Road—containing in all 2,400 acres (A.S., 3).                                                                                                                                                             |

#### 1. Sources:

"Abstract of certain Lands Tenements and Hereditaments situate in the County of Suffolk in the State of New York Forfeited to the people of this State and sold by Isaac Stoutenburgh and Philip Van Cortlandt, Esquires, Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Southern District of the said State," in a volume entitled *Conveyances in Forfeiture 1784*, in the Office of the County Clerk, Riverhead, Suffolk County (cited here as "A.S.," together with the page reference for each sale).

*Libers of Conveyances (Deeds)* recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Suffolk County (cited according to Liber and page).

*Deed Books*, Division of the Land Office of the Department of State, Albany (cited as *Deed Books*).

| <i>Loyalist Owner (cont.)</i> | <i>Purchaser</i>                      | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale, Description, and Place of Record</i>                                                                                                         |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Parker Wickham                | Nathaniel Norton                      | £ 900        | July 28, 1784. Messuage and 240 acre farm in the Township of Southold, in separate parcels on the north and south of the Highway (A.S., 2).                   |
| " "                           | " "                                   | 1,030        | Aug. 5, 1784. Messuage and farm at River Head; also two small pieces of meadow ground comprising four acres each—containing in all about 800 acres (A.S., 2). |
| " "                           | Benjamin Tallmadge and Caleb Brewster | 1,250        | Aug. 5, 1784. Tract of land in the Township of Southold, distinguished by the name "Robins Island," comprising 350 acres (A.S., 2).                           |

E. RICHMOND COUNTY<sup>1</sup>

|                     |                                  |            |                                                                                                                                                                                     |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Benjamin Seaman     | Cornelius C. Roosevelt, merchant | £3,000     | Apr. 30, 1785. Messuage, Mill, Barn, Out-Houses, 200 acre Farm, and apurtenances ( <i>Deeds, Richmond Co., Lib. E, p. 146</i> ).                                                    |
| " "                 | Thomas McFarren, merchant        | 1,120 16s. | July 16, 1784. Parcel of land in the Manor of Castle Town, consisting of eight lots and comprising 80 acres ( <i>Deeds, Richmond Co., Lib. E, pp. 146-47</i> ).                     |
| Christopher Billopp | " "                              | 4,695      | July 16, 1784. Tract comprising 850½ acres in the Manor of Bentley, together with all the buildings and improvements erected thereon ( <i>Deeds, Richmond Co. Lib. E, p. 147</i> ). |

F. WESTCHESTER COUNTY<sup>2</sup>*The Estate of Frederick Philipse:*

| <i>Purchaser</i>       | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale</i> | <i>Description and Place of Record</i>  |
|------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Acker, Abraham, farmer | £ 597 10s.   | Dec. 6, 1785        | 239 acres (A.S., 31; Lib. 147, p. 452). |
| " "                    | 482 10s.     | " " "               | 193 acres (A.S., 61).                   |

1. "Record at the Request of Isaac Stoutenburgh and Philip Van Cortlandt, Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Southern District, the following Instruments of writing this twenty fifth day of May, One thousand seven hundred and Eighty Nine," in *Deeds, Richmond County, Liber E*, pp. 146-47, in the Office of the Clerk of Richmond County at St. George, Staten Island.

## 2. Sources:

The Ms ledger entitled *Abstracts of Sales, Commissioners of Forfeitures, Westchester County*, in the Office of the Register at White Plains (cited here as "A.S.," together with the page reference for each sale).

*Libers of Conveyances (Deeds)* recorded in the Office of the Register at White Plains (cited according to Liber and page).

*Deed Books*, Division of the Land Office of the Department of State, Albany (cited as *Deed Books*).

*Land Papers*, Division of Engineering of the Department of Public Works, Albany (cited as *Land Papers*).

M. K. Couzens, *Index to Grantees and Occupants of the former Manor of Philipsburgh, Westchester County, New York* (cited as "Couzens, Index").

| <i>Purchaser</i>                            | <i>Price</i>   | <i>Date of Sale</i> | <i>Description and Place of Record</i>                          |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Acker, Stephen, weaver                      | £ 235 2s. 6d.  | Dec. 22, 1785       | 57 acres (A.S., 34).                                            |
| “ “                                         | 437 5s.        | Dec. 6, 1785        | 159 acres (A.S., 119).                                          |
| Acker, William, farmer                      | 492 5s.        | “ “ “               | 179 acres (A.S., 13).                                           |
| Acker, Wolvert, farmer                      | 87 15s.        | “ “ “               | 27 acres (A.S., 124).                                           |
| Adams, William,<br>physician                | 450            | Dec. 22, 1785       | 150 acres (A.S., 30).                                           |
| Allen, Samuel                               | \$127.65       | Sept. 6, 1803       | 27 acres, 2 rods, and 16 perches ( <i>Land Papers</i> , 8:123). |
| Anderson, Nathaniel,<br>farmer              | £ 603 15s.     | Dec. 22, 1785       | 161 acres (A.S., 45).                                           |
| Angevine, Phoebe, widow                     | 643 10s.       | “ “ “               | 190 acres (A.S., 94; Lib. 96, p. 108).                          |
| Archer, Sarah, widow                        | 55 10s.        | “ “ “               | 18½ acres (A.S., 92).                                           |
| Arden, John, farmer                         | 945            | “ “ “               | 126 acres (A.S., 33).                                           |
| Avery, Thadeus, farmer                      | 654            | Dec. 6, 1785        | 218 acres (A.S., 91).                                           |
| Baker, Abraham, farmer                      | 192 10s.       | May 18, 1786        | 17½ acres (A.S., 121).                                          |
| Baker, Jesse, farmer                        | 410            | Dec. 6, 1785        | 164 acres (A.S., 29; Lib. M, p. 103).                           |
| Baker, Jonathan, farmer                     | 387 10s.       | “ “ “               | 155 acres (A.S., 37).                                           |
| Barker, Thomas, farmer                      | 1,606 10s.     | May 18, 1786        | 189 acres (A.S., 59).                                           |
| Banker, Henry, farmer                       | 418            | Dec. 6, 1785        | 152 acres (A.S., 109; Lib. 133, p. 61).                         |
| Barton, Elisha, farmer                      | 337 10s.       | “ “ “               | 135 acres (A.S., 81; Lib. 1,003, p. 172).                       |
| Beckman, Gerard G.,<br>gentleman            | 9,040          | May 23, 1785        | 750 acres (Lib. L, p. 15).                                      |
| Bishop, John                                | 249            | Dec. 6, 1785        | 83 acres (A.S., 56).                                            |
| Bishop, Thomas, farmer                      | 777            | “ “ “               | 259 acres (A.S., 78).                                           |
| Bonnet, Patience, widow                     | 519            | Jan. 17, 1786       | 173 acres (A.S., 134; Lib. K, p. 110).                          |
| Bont, Peter, farmer                         | 40             | Dec. 6, 1785        | 40 acres (A.S., 115).                                           |
| Bostwick, Andrew, esq.                      | 2,795          | Mar. 1, 1786        | 155 acres (A.S., 135).                                          |
| Bowne, John, farmer                         | 429            | Dec. 6, 1785        | 156 acres (A.S., 81; Lib. 43, p. 365).                          |
| Brevoort, John, merchant                    | 1,182          | Feb. 9, 1786        | 197 acres (A.S., 135).                                          |
| Brewer, Jacob, farmer                       | 577 10s.       | Dec. 22, 1785       | 165 acres (A.S., 37).                                           |
| Brown, Abraham senior,<br>farmer            | 711            | Dec. 6, 1785        | 237 acres (A.S., 76).                                           |
| Brown, Benjamin junior,<br>farmer           | 425 16s.       | “ “ “               | 183 acres (A.S., 11).                                           |
| Brown, Evert, farmer                        | 936            | Dec. 6, 1785        | 312 acres (A.S., 101; Lib. K, p. 274).                          |
| Brown, Frederick, farmer                    | 342            | “ “ “               | 114 acres (A.S., 44).                                           |
| Brown, Abraham                              | .....          | June 7, 1786        | 204¼ acres (Couzens, <i>Index</i> , pp. 46-48).                 |
| Brown, Henry, farmer                        | 254 5s.        | Dec. 6, 1785        | 113 acres (A.S., 105).                                          |
| Brown, John, farmer                         | 135            | “ “ “               | 45 acres (A.S., 21).                                            |
| Buckhout, Jacob, farmer                     | 360 2s.        | “ “ “               | 138 acres (A.S., 15).                                           |
| Buice, Adrian, farmer                       | 302 10s.       | “ “ “               | 121 acres (A.S., 111).                                          |
| Buice, Catherine, Peter<br>and William      | 379 10s.       | “ “ “               | 130 acres (A.S., 41).                                           |
| “ “ “ “                                     | 27 10s.        | “ “ “               | 20 acres (A.S., 127).                                           |
| Buice, Rachel, widow                        | 234            | “ “ “               | 100 acres (A.S., 46).                                           |
| Buice, Thomas, farmer                       | 442 15s.       | “ “ “               | 161 acres (A.S., 41).                                           |
| Bulyea, John, farmer                        | 860 10s.       | Dec. 22, 1785       | 182 acres (A.S., 35).                                           |
| Canniff, Richard, farmer                    | 556 17s. 6d.   | “ “ “               | 99 acres (A.S., 73).                                            |
| Carpenter, Stephen and<br>Holmes, Nathaniel | .....          | Aug. 3, 1786        | ½ acre lot (Couzens, <i>Index</i> , pp. 46-48).                 |
| Champanois, Thomas,<br>farmer               | 390            | Dec. 6, 1785        | 156 acres (A.S., 103).                                          |
| Combs, George, black-<br>smith              | 40             | Aug. 3, 1786        | 1 acre lot (A.S., 125; Lib. 444, p. 463).                       |
| Concklin, Isaac and<br>Jacob, farmers       | 1,486 17s. 6d. | Dec. 22, 1785       | 305 acres (A.S., 77).                                           |

| <i>Purchaser (cont.)</i>                                                    | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale</i> | <i>Description and Place of Record</i>                                                                            |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Covenhoven, Ann, widow                                                      | £ 150        | Dec. 6, 1785        | 6 acres (A.S., 126).                                                                                              |
| “ “                                                                         | 30           | Aug. 3, 1786        | 1 acre lot (A.S., 131).                                                                                           |
| Crawford, William,<br>farmer                                                | 606          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 202 acres (A.S., 57; Lib. K, p. 122).                                                                             |
| Crook, Joseph, Barkins,<br>Daniel, and Lent, Abra-<br>ham junior, merchants | .....        | July 30, 1785       | 45 acres, half to Joseph Crook and the<br>remainder to Barkins and Lent (Cous-<br>ens, <i>Index</i> , pp. 46-48). |
| Dauids, Jacobus, farmer                                                     | 232 10s.     | Dec. 6, 1785        | 93 acres (A.S., 77).                                                                                              |
| Dauids, Peter, farmer                                                       | 600          | “ “ “               | 200 acres (A.S., 71; Lib. 73, p. 316).                                                                            |
| Dauids, William, esquire                                                    | 369          | “ “ “               | 123 acres (A.S., 34; Lib. 217, p. 183).                                                                           |
| “ “                                                                         | 462          | “ “ “               | 220 acres (A.S., 99).                                                                                             |
| Dean, John, tailor                                                          | 208          | Dec. 22, 1785       | 64 acres (A.S., 108).                                                                                             |
| Dean, Thomas, farmer                                                        | 345          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 138 acres (A.S., 29).                                                                                             |
| Dean, Samuel, yeoman                                                        | 12           | “ “ “               | 4 acres (A.S., 17).                                                                                               |
| DeClarke, James, farmer                                                     | 675          | “ “ “               | 225 acres (A.S., 12; <i>Deed Books</i> , 20:576).                                                                 |
| Delameter, Barent, farmer                                                   | 475          | “ “ “               | 190 acres (A.S., 73).                                                                                             |
| Devoe, Abraham, farmer                                                      | 213 4s.      | “ “ “               | 82 acres (A.S., 16).                                                                                              |
| Devoe, John, farmer                                                         | 408          | “ “ “               | 136 acres (A.S., 113).                                                                                            |
| Deiterich, George, baker                                                    | 775 10s.     | “ “ “               | 282 acres (A.S., 43; <i>Deed Books</i> , 25:398).                                                                 |
| Dickerson, James, farmer                                                    | 100 16s.     | Dec. 22, 1785       | 32 acres (A.S., 95).                                                                                              |
| Downing, Susannah,<br>widow                                                 | 350          | Oct. 10, 1785       | 50 acres (A.S., 87).                                                                                              |
| “ “                                                                         | 414          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 138 acres (A.S., 110; Lib. 124, p. 83).                                                                           |
| Drake, Gilbert, esquire                                                     | 940          | Dec. 22, 1785       | 171 acres (A.S., 89).                                                                                             |
| Drake, Samuel, esquire                                                      | 423          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 141 acres (A.S., 63).                                                                                             |
| “ “                                                                         | 384 17s. 6d. | “ “ “               | 129½ acres (A.S., 85).                                                                                            |
| Duryea, Charles, merchant                                                   | 580          | Apr. 11, 1785       | 29 acres (A.S., 47).                                                                                              |
| Dusenbury, Richard,<br>farmer                                               | 572          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 320 acres (A.S., 36; Lib. M, p. 26).                                                                              |
| Dutch Reformed Church                                                       | 10s.         | Aug. 24, 1787       | Church, two acres of land adjoining<br>thereto, the Burial Ground, and a farm<br>of 100 acres (Lib. 108, p. 98).  |
| Dutcher, William, farmer                                                    | 546 10s.     | Dec. 6, 1785        | 215½ acres (A.S., 31; Lib. P, p. 258).                                                                            |
| Dyckman, Jacobus, farmer                                                    | 855          | Dec. 22, 1785       | 285 acres (A.S., 39).                                                                                             |
| “ “                                                                         | 69           | May 23, 1785        | 6 acres (A.S., 40).                                                                                               |
| “ “                                                                         | 760          | Apr. 11, 1785       | 35 acres (A.S., 84; Lib. 298, p. 443).                                                                            |
| Ellair, Maria, widow                                                        | 1,900        | May 18, 1786        | 190 acres (A.S., 22; Lib. M, p. 104).                                                                             |
| Emmins, Abraham,<br>gentleman                                               | 2,079        | June 7, 1786        | 231 acres (A.S., 83).                                                                                             |
| Everson, Elsie, widow                                                       | 1,318 15s.   | Dec. 22, 1785       | 211 acres (A.S., 60).                                                                                             |
| Farrington, James, farmer                                                   | 233 15s.     | Dec. 6, 1785        | 85 acres (A.S., 107).                                                                                             |
| Fields, William, farmer                                                     | 654          | “ “ “               | 218 acres (A.S., 14).                                                                                             |
| Fish, Nathan                                                                | 420          | “ “ “               | 140 acres (A.S., 66; Lib. R, p. 41).                                                                              |
| Fisher, Gilbert, farmer                                                     | 633 5s.      | Dec. 22, 1785       | 149 acres (A.S., 85; Lib. W, p. 165).                                                                             |
| Fisher, George, baker                                                       | 1,869 15s.   | May 18, 1786        | 277 acres (A.S., 59; Lib. M, p. 41).                                                                              |
| Fisher, John, farmer                                                        | 533 12s.     | Dec. 6, 1785        | 184 acres (A.S., 47).                                                                                             |
| Fisher, Samuel, farmer                                                      | 432 2s.      | “ “ “               | 149 acres (A.S., 84).                                                                                             |
| Fisher, William, farmer                                                     | 577 10s.     | Dec. 22, 1785       | 154 acres (A.S., 75).                                                                                             |
| Foster, Marmaduke,<br>farmer                                                | 660          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 220 acres (Lib. 78, p. 494).                                                                                      |
| “ “                                                                         | .....        | Dec. 22, 1785       | 160 acres (Cousens, <i>Index</i> , pp. 46-48).                                                                    |
| Fowler, Benjamin, farmer                                                    | 2,135        | May 18, 1786        | 305 acres (A.S., 80; Lib. T, p. 229).                                                                             |
| Furshee, John, farmer                                                       | 442 10s.     | Dec. 6, 1785        | 177 acres (A.S., 29).                                                                                             |
| Furshee, Peter, farmer                                                      | 1,402 10s.   | Oct. 10, 1785       | 170 acres (A.S., 96).                                                                                             |



| <i>Purchaser (cont.)</i>                     | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale</i> | <i>Description and Place of Record</i>                                                                             |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Furshee, William and James, farmers          | £ 741        | Dec. 22, 1785       | 228 acres (A.S., 129).                                                                                             |
| Garrison, Marvil, farmer                     | 507 10s.     | Dec. 6, 1785        | 203 acres (A.S., 74; Lib. K, p. 353).                                                                              |
| Garrison, Richard, farmer                    | 370 10s.     | " " "               | 123½ acres (A.S., 28).                                                                                             |
| Gibb, John, yeoman                           | 780          | " " "               | 260 acres (A.S., 55).                                                                                              |
| Gleen, Anthony                               | 1,916 5s.    | Dec. 22, 1785       | 219 acres (A.S., 89).                                                                                              |
| Guerino, John, farmer                        | 1,212 15s.   | May 18, 1786        | 99 acres (A.S., 26).                                                                                               |
| Hadley, George, farmer                       | 734 5s.      | Dec. 6, 1785        | 267 acres (A.S., 128).                                                                                             |
| Hadley, William, farmer                      | 647 10s.     | May 18, 1786        | 92½ acres (A.S., 123; Lib. 31, p. 144).                                                                            |
| Haight, Abijah                               | .....        | Dec. 22, 1785       | 235 acres (Couzens, <i>Index</i> , pp. 46-48).                                                                     |
| Haight, Caleb, farmer                        | 988          | " " "               | 247 acres (A.S., 40).                                                                                              |
| Haight, William, farmer                      | 399          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 133 acres (A.S., 67).                                                                                              |
| Hale, Mordecai, physician                    | .....        | Aug. 3, 1786        | Lot in Tarrytown (Couzens, <i>Index</i> , pp. 46-48).                                                              |
| Hammond, Abijah, gentleman                   | 828          | May 18, 1786        | 69 acres (A.S., 19; Lib. L, p. 223).                                                                               |
| " " "                                        | 644          | Dec. 22, 1785       | 161 acres (A.S., 32; Lib. 364, p. 317).                                                                            |
| Hammond, James, farmer                       | 726          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 242 acres (A.S., 57).                                                                                              |
| Hammond, James and Combs, George, farmers    | 786          | " " "               | 262 acres (A.S., 104).                                                                                             |
| Hammond, John junior, farmer                 | 1,976 5s.    | Jan. 7, 1786        | 255 acres (A.S., 42; Lib. 31, p. 350).                                                                             |
| Hammond, Staats, farmer                      | 236          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 110 acres (A.S., 42).                                                                                              |
| " " "                                        | 48 2s. 6d.   | " " "               | 38½ acres (A.S., 98).                                                                                              |
| Hart, Eleazer, farmer                        | 770          | Dec. 22, 1785       | 154 acres (A.S., 90).                                                                                              |
| Hart, John junior                            | 388          | Feb. 23, 1786       | 97 acres (A.S., 49).                                                                                               |
| Hart, Monmouth                               | 1,155        | Oct. 10, 1785       | 154 acres (A.S., 49).                                                                                              |
| Hays, Michael, farmer                        | 871 5s.      | Dec. 22, 1785       | 170 acres (A.S., 38).                                                                                              |
| " " "                                        | 405          | " " "               | 90 acres (A.S., 39).                                                                                               |
| Heyatt, William, farmer                      | 267          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 89 acres (A.S., 106; Lib. L, p. 131).                                                                              |
| Honeywell, Israel junior, esq.               | 702          | " " "               | 270 acres (A.S., 27).                                                                                              |
| " " " "                                      | 1,035        | Dec. 22, 1785       | 230 acres (A.S., 59).                                                                                              |
| Horton, Jonathan, farmer                     | 1,015        | Oct. 10, 1785       | 145 acres (A.S., 47).                                                                                              |
| " " "                                        | 342 4s.      | Dec. 6, 1785        | 118 acres (A.S., 83).                                                                                              |
| Horton, Samuel, farmer                       | 432          | " " "               | 144 acres (A.S., 96).                                                                                              |
| Hunt, Arnold, farmer                         | 849          | " " "               | 283 acres, excepting and reserving the Church or Meeting House and two acres of land adjoining thereto (A.S., 70). |
| Hunt, David, inn-keeper                      | 1,200        | Apr. 11, 1785       | Messuage and 41 acre farm ( <i>Deed Books</i> , 27:7).                                                             |
| Hunt, Mary, widow                            | 359 12s.     | Dec. 22, 1785       | 116 acres (A.S., 62).                                                                                              |
| Hunt, Ward, farmer                           | 1,029        | " " "               | 343 acres (A.S., 53; Lib. K, p. 264).                                                                              |
| " " "                                        | 1,275        | May 18, 1786        | 200 acres (A.S., 60; Lib. O, p. 65).                                                                               |
| " " "                                        | 250 15s.     | " " "               | 59 acres (A.S., 124).                                                                                              |
| Hunt, William, farmer                        | 2,092 10s.   | " " "               | 270 acres (A.S., 20; Lib. 214, p. 40).                                                                             |
| " " "                                        | 60           | Aug. 3, 1786        | One acre lot at Tarrytown (A.S., 131).                                                                             |
| Hunter, Elijah, farmer                       | 588          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 196 acres (A.S., 71; Lib. 94, p. 422).                                                                             |
| " " "                                        | 582 16s.     | Dec. 22, 1785       | 188 acres (A.S., 87).                                                                                              |
| Husted, James, farmer                        | 402 10s.     | Dec. 6, 1785        | 161 acres (A.S., 100).                                                                                             |
| Hustice, Noah, farmer                        | 390          | " " "               | 150 acres (A.S., 34; Lib. K, p. 39).                                                                               |
| Israel, John, farmer                         | 186          | May 18, 1786        | 62 acres (A.S., 75).                                                                                               |
| Jeffers, William, farmer                     | 75           | Dec. 6, 1785        | 50 acres (A.S., 126).                                                                                              |
| Jewel, John, farmer                          | 712 10s.     | " " "               | 285 acres (A.S., 45; Lib. 210, p. 351).                                                                            |
| Johnston, Robert and Ogden, Lewis, merchants | 1,470        | Sept. 9, 1785       | 190 acres (A.S., 132).                                                                                             |

| <i>Purchaser (cont.)</i>          | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale</i> | <i>Description and Place of Record</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Jones, Cornelius, farmer          | £ 520        | Dec. 6, 1785        | 200 acres (A.S., 36; Lib. M, p. 1).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Kniffen, Lewis, farmer            | 390          | " " "               | 150 acres (A.S., 57).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Lamb, John, esquire               | 2,750        | Apr. 11, 1785       | 202 acres (A.S., 48).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Lambert, Henry, farmer            | 435          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 174 acres (A.S., 69).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Lamora, Elisha, farmer            | 900          | Dec. 22, 1785       | 180 acres (A.S., 35).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Lawrence, Isaac junior,<br>farmer | 892 10s.     | May 18, 1786        | 210 acres (A.S., 24).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Lawrence, Isaac senior,<br>farmer | 1,512        | " " "               | 189 acres (A.S., 23).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Lawrence, John, attorney          | 1,332 10s.   | Oct. 10, 1785       | 130 acres (A.S., 46).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| " "                               | 1,364        | " " "               | 248 acres (A.S., 52).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| " "                               | 282 15s.     | Dec. 22, 1785       | 65 acres (A.S., 53; Lib. K, p. 303).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| " "                               | 418          | Oct. 10, 1785       | 76 acres (A.S., 64).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| " "                               | 2,242        | " " "               | 236 acres (A.S., 86).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| " "                               | 2,900        | Sept. 9, 1785       | 175 acres (A.S., 133).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Lawrence, Thomas,<br>farmer       | 660          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 220 acres (A.S., 119; Lib. K, p. 383),                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Ledew, Abraham, black-<br>smith   | 229 5s.      | Feb. 23, 1786       | 131 acres (A.S., 50; Lib. I, p. 361).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Lent, Abraham, merchant           | 840          | Jan. 20, 1786       | 40 acre parcel (A.S., 134).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Lent, Dennis, farmer              | 352          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 128 acres (A.S., 21).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Lewis, Morgan, esquire            | 883 10s.     | June 7, 1786        | 114 acres (A.S., 122).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Livingston, Philip,<br>esquire    | 3,262        | Oct. 10, 1785       | 233 acres (A.S., 112; <i>Deed Books</i> , 20: 575).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| " "                               | 770          | Apr. 11, 1785       | 35 acre wood lot (A.S., 113; <i>Deed Books</i> , 20:574).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Low, Cornelius P.,<br>gentleman   | 14,520       | Sept. 9, 1785       | The Mansion House, mills, stables, two lots of woodland containing each 33 acres, and farm of about 320 acres, reserving and excepting out of the same 2 acres "whereon the Church stands," 2 acres where Hormes Sherwood lives, and 2 acres of meadow adjoining to Saw Mill River and road, "it being part of the Glebe Land" (A.S., 133; <i>Deed Books</i> , 27:7). |
| McChain, James, farmer            | 650          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 325 acres (A.S., 82).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| McCord, James, farmer             | 651          | " " "               | 217 acres (A.S., 64; Lib. 76, p. 312).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Mackeel, Michael, farmer          | 899 5s.      | " " "               | 327 acres, excepting about two acres "as the same is now possessed by Jacob Rosmer" (A.S., 100).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Martling, Abraham,<br>shoemaker   | 162 10s.     | May 15, 1786        | 65 acres (A.S., 58).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| " "                               | 20           | Aug. 6, 1786        | ½ acre lot (A.S., 131).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Martling, Daniel,<br>boatman      | 40           | Aug. 3, 1786        | 1¼ acres (A.S., 130).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| " "                               | 30           | " " "               | 1 acre lot (A.S., 131).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Matthews, Annanias,<br>farmer     | 490          | Nov. 28, 1785       | 140 acres (A.S., 39).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Merril, Mary, widow               | 47 17s.      | Dec. 22, 1785       | 14½ acres (A.S., 92).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Merrit, James, farmer             | 396 10s.     | " " "               | 122 acres (A.S., 61; Lib. 431, p. 79).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

| <i>Purchaser (cont.)</i>                       | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale</i> | <i>Description and Place of Record</i>         |
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| Mertine, James                                 | £ .....      | Dec. 6, 1785        | 139 acres (Couzens, <i>Index</i> , pp. 46-48). |
| “ “ and                                        |              |                     |                                                |
| Samuel, farmers                                | 638          | “ “ “               | 220 acres (A.S., 12; Lib. 1,341, p. 140).      |
| Miller, Ann, widow                             | 166 8s.      | “ “ “               | 64 acres (A.S., 14).                           |
| Miller, Daniel, weaver                         | 78           | Dec. 6, 1785        | 30 acres (A.S., 64).                           |
| Minner, Jacobus, farmer                        | 1,834        | Oct. 10, 1785       | 262 acres (A.S., 43).                          |
| Morris, Richard, esquire                       | 426          | Dec. 22, 1785       | 136 acres (A.S., 27).                          |
| “ “                                            | 1,098        | May 18, 1786        | 244 acres (A.S., 28).                          |
| Nelson, Absolom, farmer                        | 1,840        | “ “ “               | 230 acres (A.S., 20).                          |
| Nelson, James, farmer                          | 760          | “ “ “               | 152 acres (A.S., 38).                          |
| Oakley, Gilbert, farmer                        | 1,979 13s.   | Dec. 22, 1785       | 289 acres (A.S., 33; Lib. L, p. 288).          |
| Oakley, Isaac, farmer                          | 464 7s. 6d.  | Dec. 6, 1785        | 185¼ acres (A.S., 53).                         |
| Oakley, James, farmer                          | 605 16s.     | “ “ “               | 233 acres (A.S., 104).                         |
| “ “                                            | 850          | Dec. 22, 1785       | 170 acres (A.S., 112).                         |
| Oakley, John, farmer                           | 518 8s.      | Oct. 10, 1785       | 54 acres (A.S., 78).                           |
| Oakley, Joseph, farmer                         | 779          | May 18, 1786        | 164 acres (A.S., 25).                          |
| Oakley, Thomas, farmer                         | 73 15s.      | Dec. 6, 1785        | 29½ acres (A.S., 19).                          |
| Odel, Abraham, farmer                          | 652 15s.     | Dec. 22, 1785       | 186½ acres (A.S., 12).                         |
| Odel, Abraham senior,<br>farmer                | 972          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 324 acres (A.S., 105; Lib. 298, p. 440).       |
| Odell, Henry, farmer                           | 777          | Dec. 22, 1785       | 259 acres (A.S., 91).                          |
| Odel, Isaac, farmer                            | 727 4s.      | May 18, 1786        | 144 acres (A.S., 24; Lib. 402, p. 21).         |
| Odell, James, farmer                           | 749 5s.      | Oct. 10, 1785       | 80 acres (A.S., 114).                          |
| Odel, John, farmer                             | 740          | Dec. 22, 1785       | 185 acres (A.S., 15).                          |
| Odel, Jonathan, farmer                         | 1,203 16s.   | Dec. 6, 1785        | 463 acres (A.S., 44; Lib. 34, p. 347).         |
| “ “                                            | 300          | Dec. 22, 1785       | 100 acres (A.S., 123).                         |
| Orser, Abraham, farmer                         | 370 10s.     | Dec. 6, 1785        | 123½ acres (A.S., 28; Lib. K, p. 454).         |
| Orser, Albert, farmer                          | 492          | “ “ “               | 164 acres (A.S., 62; Lib. M, p. 342).          |
| Orser, John, farmer                            | 768 10s.     | Oct. 10, 1785       | 106 acres (A.S., 54).                          |
| Orser, Jonas, captain                          | 681 4s.      | Dec. 6, 1785        | 262 acres (A.S., 72).                          |
| Pierse, James                                  | .....        | Dec. 22, 1785       | 100 acres (Couzens, <i>Index</i> , pp. 46-48). |
| Post, Anthony                                  | .....        | Aug. 3, 1787        | 121 acres (Couzens, <i>Index</i> , pp. 46-48). |
| Pugsley, Talman, farmer                        | 1,165 10s.   | May 18, 1786        | 333 acres (A.S., 21).                          |
| “ “                                            | 420          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 140 acres (A.S., 110).                         |
| Palmer, Samuel, Obadiah,<br>and James, farmers | 1,418 15s.   | Dec. 22, 1785       | 227 acres (A.S., 88).                          |
| Paulding, Peter and John,<br>yeomen            | 921 5s.      | Dec. 6, 1785        | 335 acres (A.S., 67; Lib. K, p. 46).           |
| Peacock, Richard, tailor                       | 22           | Aug. 4, 1786        | ½ acre lot (A.S., 101).                        |
| Pierse, James, farmer                          | 570          | Dec. 22, 1785       | 150 acres (A.S., 88).                          |
| Post, Dennis, farmer                           | 337 10s.     | Dec. 6, 1785        | 135 acres (A.S., 106; Lib. 43, p. 357).        |
| Post, Isaac, farmer                            | 879          | “ “ “               | 293 acres (A.S., 98; Lib. 52, p. 221).         |
| Post, Jacob, farmer                            | 936 14s.     | “ “ “               | 323 acres (A.S., 136).                         |
| Post, Peter, farmer                            | 715          | “ “ “               | 286 acres (A.S., 48).                          |
| Powel, Thomas, farmer                          | 720          | “ “ “               | 240 acres (A.S., 31; Lib. Q, p. 204).          |
| Purdy, Elijah and Isaac,<br>farmers            | 595 10s.     | Dec. 22, 1785       | 107 acres (A.S., 69).                          |
| Purdy, Jacob, esquire                          | 558 15s.     | “ “ “               | 149 acres (A.S., 54).                          |
| Ray, Cornelius, merchant                       | 1,446 10s.   | Dec. 22, 1785       | 263 acres (A.S., 51).                          |
| “ “                                            | 2,783        | Mar. 3, 1786        | 506 acres (A.S., 52).                          |
| “ “                                            | .....        | Aug. 1, 1787        | 284 acres (Couzens, <i>Index</i> , pp. 46-48). |

| <i>Purchaser (cont.)</i>                                                  | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale</i> | <i>Description and Place of Record</i>                                       |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Reed, Isaac, farmer                                                       | £ 218 15s.   | Dec. 6, 1785        | 125 acres (A.S., 79).                                                        |
| Reed, Robert, farmer                                                      | 423          | " " "               | 141 acres (A.S., 102; Lib. 278, p. 436).                                     |
| Requa, Daniel, farmer                                                     | 648          | " " "               | 288 acres (A.S., 78).                                                        |
| Requa, Glode, farmer                                                      | 888          | " " "               | 296 acres (A.S., 32; Lib. 63, p. 519).                                       |
| " "                                                                       | 100          | Aug. 3, 1786        | 4 acres, excepting and reserving a street of four rods in width (A.S., 132). |
| Requa, James, esquire                                                     | 357          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 170 acres (A.S., 76).                                                        |
| " "                                                                       | 25           | Aug. 3, 1786        | 1 acre lot (A.S., 128).                                                      |
| Requa, John, farmer                                                       | 264          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 96 acres (A.S., 72).                                                         |
| Rich, Margarey, widow                                                     | 828          | May 18, 1786        | 92 acres (A.S., 23).                                                         |
| Rogers, Benjamin, farmer                                                  | 456 10s.     | Dec. 6, 1785        | 166 acres (A.S., 118).                                                       |
| Ruton, William, farmer                                                    | 136 16s.     | " " "               | 171 acres (A.S., 117).                                                       |
| Ryder, Jacob, farmer                                                      | 3,000        | Oct. 10, 1785       | 200 acres (A.S., 87).                                                        |
| " "                                                                       | -----        | " " "               | 200 acres (Cousens, <i>Index</i> , pp. 46-48).                               |
| Schofield, Joseph, farmer                                                 | 1,450        | May 18, 1786        | 200 acres (A.S., 58).                                                        |
| See, David, farmer                                                        | 299          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 115 acres (A.S., 42).                                                        |
| See, James and Isaac, farmers                                             | 504          | " " "               | 168 acres (A. S., 44).                                                       |
| See, James, Peter, John and Abraham, Yorkse, Catherine, and Powel, Thomas | 375          | " " "               | 150 acres (A.S., 40).                                                        |
| Sherwood, Abigail, widow                                                  | 943 15s.     | Dec. 22, 1785       | 125 acres (A.S., 93).                                                        |
| Sherwood, Gersham, farmer                                                 | 298 6s.      | Dec. 6, 1785        | 157 acres (A.S., 11).                                                        |
| Sherwood, Isaac, physician                                                | 2,475        | May 18, 1786        | 300 acres (A.S., 32).                                                        |
| Sherwood, Job, farmer                                                     | 1,095        | Dec. 6, 1785        | 365 acres (A.S., 97; Lib. K, p. 300).                                        |
| Sherwood, Joshua, farmer                                                  | 532          | " " "               | 304 acres (A.S., 76).                                                        |
| Sherwood, Solomon, farmer                                                 | 356 4s.      | " " "               | 137 acres (A.S., 68; Lib. 83, p. 124).                                       |
| Sherwood, Stephen, farmer                                                 | 49           | " " "               | 24½ acres (A.S., 120).                                                       |
| Sherwood, Thomas, farmer                                                  | 362 10s.     | " " "               | 290 acres (A.S., 121).                                                       |
| Shute, John, farmer                                                       | 1,407 10s.   | Oct. 19, 1785       | 190 acres (A.S., 73).                                                        |
| Smith, Caleb, farmer                                                      | 357 10s.     | Dec. 6, 1785        | 130 acres (A.S., 109; Lib. 26, p. 62).                                       |
| Smith, Isaac and Thomas, yeomen                                           | 387 10s.     | " " "               | 155 acres (A.S., 65; Lib. K, p. 189).                                        |
| Smith, Jacob, yeoman                                                      | 536 5s.      | Dec. 22, 1785       | 165 acres (A.S., 65).                                                        |
| Smith, John, farmer                                                       | 657 5s.      | Dec. 6, 1785        | 239 acres (A.S., 68).                                                        |
| Storm, Abraham, farmer                                                    | 401 10s.     | " " "               | 146 acres (A.S., 125).                                                       |
| Storm, David, farmer                                                      | 93 5s.       | Dec. 22, 1785       | 25 acres (A.S., 94; Lib. 61, p. 67).                                         |
| Storm, Gregory and Thomas, farmers                                        | 672 15s.     | " " "               | 207 acres (A.S., 55).                                                        |
| Storm, Hendrick, farmer                                                   | 486          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 162 acres (A.S., 117).                                                       |
| Storm, Henry, farmer                                                      | 486          | " " "               | 162 acres (A.S., 22).                                                        |
| Storm, Jacob, farmer                                                      | 837          | " " "               | 279 acres (A.S., 35; Lib. K, p. 171).                                        |
| Storm, Nicholas, farmer                                                   | 397 16s.     | " " "               | 153 acres (A.S., 95; Lib. 113, p. 331).                                      |
| Storm, Thomas and Andrew                                                  | 270          | Aug. 30, 1786       | 108 acres (Lib. 240, p. 466).                                                |

| <i>Purchaser (cont.)</i>                                                | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale</i> | <i>Description and Place of Record</i>                                     |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Syfer, Eve, widow                                                       | £ 371 16s.   | Dec. 6, 1785        | 143 acres (A.S., 70).                                                      |
| Syfer, Jeremiah, yeoman                                                 | 829 10s.     | Dec. 22, 1785       | 237 acres (A.S., 56).                                                      |
| Taylor, Elnathan, farmer                                                | 297          | May 18, 1786        | 99 acres (A.S., 82; Lib. 90, p. 396).                                      |
| Taylor, Gilbert, farmer                                                 | 597 10s.     | Dec. 6, 1785        | 239 acres (A.S., 26).                                                      |
| Taylor, Shadrack, farmer                                                | 414          | Oct. 10, 1785       | 184 acres (A.S., 86; Lib. P, p. 154).                                      |
| Tiebout, Henry, gentleman                                               | 2,192 15s.   | Dec. 22, 1785       | 179 acres (A.S., 93).                                                      |
| Tomkins, Gilbert, farmer                                                | 1,120        | May 18, 1786        | 140 acres (A.S., 25).                                                      |
| Tomkins, James, farmer                                                  | 643 10s.     | Feb. 22, 1786       | 286 acres (A.S., 49).                                                      |
| Tomkins, John, farmer                                                   | 1,604 15s.   | May 18, 1786        | 262 acres (A.S., 16).                                                      |
| Tomkins, John junior,<br>farmer                                         | 621          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 207 acres (A.S., 13).                                                      |
| Tomkins, Nathaniel,<br>farmer                                           | 490 5s.      | Oct. 10, 1785       | 53 acres (A.S., 115; Lib. L, p. 133).                                      |
| Tomkins, William, farmer                                                | 128          | Nov. 28, 1785       | 16 acres (A.S., 103).                                                      |
| Tompkins, Thomas, farmer                                                | 510          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 170 acres (A.S., 97).                                                      |
| Travis, Uriah, farmer                                                   | 338          | " " "               | 130 acres (A.S., 111).                                                     |
| Tucker, Nathaniel                                                       | 890 10s.     | Oct. 10, 1785       | 137 acres (A.S., 54; Lib. K, p. 458).                                      |
| " "                                                                     | 371 12s. 6d. | May 18, 1786        | 77 acres (A.S., 84).                                                       |
| Underhill, Frederick,<br>farmer                                         | 1,000        | Dec. 22, 1785       | 125 acres (A.S., 90).                                                      |
| Underhill, Lancaster,<br>farmer                                         | 194 5s.      | Oct. 10, 1785       | 21 acres (A.S., 114).                                                      |
| Underhill, Nicholas,<br>farmer                                          | 1,507 10s.   | May 18, 1786        | 134 acres (A.S., 19; Lib. 244, p. 290).                                    |
| Valentine, Mary, adminis-<br>tratrix of the estate of<br>Samuel Disbrow | 228          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 76 acres (A.S., 108).                                                      |
| Valentine, Thomas,<br>farmer                                            | 2,380        | May 18, 1786        | 238 acres (A.S., 25; Lib. 93, p. 521).                                     |
| Van Cortlandt, Frederick,<br>esq.                                       | 315          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 105 acres (A.S., 82).                                                      |
| Van Cortlandt, Pierre<br>junior, gentleman                              | 1,396 15s.   | Oct. 10, 1785       | 151 acres (A.S., 80).                                                      |
| " " "                                                                   | 1,087 10s.   | " " "               | 150 acres (A.S., 79).                                                      |
| " " "                                                                   | 227 10s.     | " " "               | 13 acres (A.S., 63).                                                       |
| " " "                                                                   | -----        | Dec. 22, 1785       | 100 acres (Couzens, <i>Index</i> , pp. 46-48;<br>cited in Lib. L, p. 426). |
| " " "                                                                   | -----        | " " "               | 7½ acres (Couzens, <i>Index</i> , pp. 46-48).                              |
| " " "                                                                   | -----        | " " "               | 131 acres (Couzens, <i>Index</i> , pp. 46-48;<br>cited in Lib. L, p. 426). |
| Van Northstrand, William,<br>farmer                                     | 178 10s.     | Dec. 6, 1785        | 119 acres (A.S., 116).                                                     |
| Van Tassel, Catherine,<br>Peter, and John                               | -----        | -----               | 150 acres (Couzens, <i>Index</i> , pp. 46-48).                             |
| Van Tassel, Cornelius,<br>farmer                                        | 382 10s.     | Dec. 6, 1785        | 170 acres (A.S., 41; Lib. K, p. 457).                                      |
| Van Tassel, Jacob                                                       | 500          | " " "               | 185 acres (A.S., 85; Lib. 144, p. 367).                                    |
| Van Tassel, John, farmer                                                | 440          | " " "               | 160 acres (A.S., 23; Lib. M, p. 528).                                      |
| Van Wert, Jacob, farmer                                                 | 264          | " " "               | 96 acres (A.S., 116).                                                      |
| Van Wert, John, farmer                                                  | 690          | " " "               | 230 acres (A.S., 120).                                                     |
| Van Wert, Mary, widow                                                   | 30           | Aug. 3, 1786        | 1 acre lot (A.S., 129).                                                    |
| Van Wert, Rachel, widow                                                 | 468          | Dec. 6, 1785        | 180 acres (A.S., 36).                                                      |



| <i>Purchaser (cont.)</i>       | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale</i> | <i>Description and Place of Record</i>                  |
|--------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Van Wert, Henry,<br>carpenter  | £ 70         | Dec. 22, 1785       | 20 acres (A.S., 37).                                    |
| Van Wert, William<br>and James | -----        | -----               | 220 acres (Couzens, <i>Index</i> , pp. 46-48).          |
| Van Worme, Adrian,<br>farmer   | 92           | Dec. 6, 1785        | 44 acres (A.S., 118).                                   |
| Vermilye, Isaac, farmer        | 555          | " " "               | 370 acres (A.S., 102).                                  |
| Vermilye, Jacob, farmer        | 552 10s.     | " " "               | 221 acres (A.S., 38).                                   |
| Ward, Moses, farmer            | 342          | " " "               | 114 acres (A.S., 71; Lib. 34, p. 303).                  |
| " "                            | 201          | " " "               | 67 acres (A.S., 17; Lib. 34, p. 302).                   |
| Ward, Stephen, esquire         | 569 10s.     | Mar. 6, 1786        | 134 acres (A.S., 51; Lib. 578, p. 461).                 |
| Ward, Thomas, farmer           | 643 10s.     | Dec. 6, 1785        | 234 acres (A.S., 69).                                   |
| Warner, John, farmer           | 698 10s.     | " " "               | 254 acres (A.S., 99; Lib. 77, p. 308).                  |
| Warner, William, farmer        | 449 10s.     | " " "               | 150 acres (A.S., 127).                                  |
| Williams, Daniel               | 110          | " " "               | 55 acres (A.S., 107; Lib. L, p. 110).                   |
| Williams, John, yeoman         | 575 5s.      | May 18, 1786        | 177 acres (A.S., 66; Lib. L, p. 388).                   |
| Williams, Mary, widow          | 319 10s.     | Dec. 6, 1785        | 142 acres (A.S., 26).                                   |
| Wilse, Daniel, farmer          | 987          | " " "               | 329 acres (A.S., 48; Lib. 185, p. 218).                 |
| Washburn, Daniel               | \$95.46      | Sept. 6, 1803       | 11¾ acres ( <i>Land Papers</i> , 8:122).                |
| Washburn, William              | \$269        | " " "               | 42¾ acres and 27 perches ( <i>Land Papers</i> , 8:121). |
| Yorkse, Catherine, widow       | £ 900        | Dec. 6, 1785        | 300 acres (A.S., 18).                                   |
| Yorkse, John, farmer           | 732          | " " "               | 244 acres (A.S., 18; Lib. Q, p. 267).                   |
| Young, James, farmer           | 396          | " " "               | 88 acres (A.S., 66).                                    |
| Youngs, Joseph, esquire        | 319 14s.     | " " "               | 152 acres (A.S., 51).                                   |

*The Estates of Other Loyalists in Westchester County:*

| <i>Loyalist Owner</i> | <i>Purchaser</i>                 | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale, Description and Place of Record</i>                                                                                                                                            |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Joshua Pell           | Isaac Guion, merchant            | £ 988        | Aug. 25, 1784. Messuage and 146 acre farm in the Manor of Pelham, excepting and reserving thereout to Phebe Pell, widow of Joshua Pell the elder, her right of dower in the premises (A.S., 2). |
| John Watts            | Gabriel Carman, saddler          | 375          | Aug. 24, 1784; 150 acre farm in the Manor of Cortlandt (A.S., 2; Lib. K, p. 18).                                                                                                                |
| " "                   | Robert and John Watts, gentlemen | 248 12s. 6d. | Aug. 23, 1784. A farm in the Manor of Cortlandt (A.S., 5).                                                                                                                                      |
| " "                   | " " "                            | 215          | Aug. 23, 1784. Farm in the Manor of Cortlandt (A.S., 5).                                                                                                                                        |
| " "                   | " " "                            | 290 10s.     | Aug. 23, 1784. A farm (A.S., 6).                                                                                                                                                                |
| " "                   | " " "                            | 260          | Aug. 23, 1784. Farm in the Manor of Cortlandt (A.S., 6).                                                                                                                                        |
| " "                   | " " "                            | 773 10s.     | Aug. 23, 1784. Farm in the Manor of Cortlandt (A.S., 6).                                                                                                                                        |
| William Bayard        | Nicholas Bayard, esq.            | 79 10s.      | Jan. 14, 1784; 106 acres in the Manor of Cortlandt (A.S., 7).                                                                                                                                   |

| <i>Loyalist Owner (cont.)</i> | <i>Purchaser</i>                                             | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale, Description and Place of Record</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| William Bayard                | Peter Goetshius,<br>physician                                | £ 120        | Jan. 21, 1785; 84 acres in the Manor of Cortlandt (A.S., 8; Lib. L, p. 150).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| " "                           | Willets Dean, yeoman                                         | 212          | Jan. 25, 1785; 212 acres in the Manor of Cortlandt (A.S., 8).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| " "                           | Gilbert Van Cortlandt,<br>merchant                           | 84 6s.       | Jan. 25, 1785; 106 acres in the Manor of Cortlandt (A.S., 9; <i>Van Cortlandt-Van Wyck Papers, Misc. Land Papers</i> , box 1).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| " "                           | Abraham Lent, yeoman                                         | 200 11s.     | Jan. 25, 1785; 190 acres (A.S., 9).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Gilbert Miller                | John Lawrence,<br>attorney                                   | 300          | July 5, 1784; 60 acre farm and appurtenances in the Township of Rye (Lib. L, p. 437; <i>Original Releases to the State</i> , 2:8).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Jeremiah Travis               | Gerard G. Beekman<br>junior                                  | 617 10s.     | July 3, 1784. Messuage and 190 acres of land in the Manor of Cortlandt (Lib. I, p. 360).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| " "                           | Ebenezer White,<br>physician                                 | 312          | July 3, 1784. Messuage and 102 acres of land in the Manor of Cortlandt (Lib. I, p. 354).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| John Weeks                    | Abraham Heyatt, esq.                                         | 270          | Apr. 25, 1786; 110 acre farm in the Township of North Castle (Lib. 129, p. 94).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| " "                           | Gilbert Van Cortlandt<br>and Theodosius Fowler,<br>merchants | 258 15s.     | Oct. 18, 1784. Tenements and 230 acre farm in the Manor of Cortlandt ( <i>Van Cortlandt-Van Wyck Papers, Misc. Land Papers</i> , box 1).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| John Bates                    | Richard Hatfield,<br>attorney                                | 1,050        | June 30, 1784. One hundred and seventy-five acre farm with the tenements thereon in the Township of White Plains (Lib. K, p. 95).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Lewis Holmes                  | Charles McKnight,<br>physician                               | 800          | Dec. 5, 1784; 164¾ acres in the Township of Bedford (A.S., 10).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Frederick Devoe               | Thomas Paine, esquire,<br>author of <i>Common Sense</i> etc. | 5s.          | June 16, 1784. Farm in the Township of New Rochelle, comprising 277 acres (Lib. T, p. 163). This farm was granted to Paine "in consideration for the eminent services rendered to the United States in the progress of the late war . . . and as a testimony of the sense which the people of this State entertain of his distinguished merit" ( <i>Laws</i> , 7th sess., ch. 64, May 12, 1784). |

| <i>Loyalist Owner (cont.)</i> | <i>Purchaser</i>          | <i>Price</i>   | <i>Date of Sale, Description and Place of Record</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| Frederick Devoe               | Gilbert Griffen           | £ 755          | June 29, 1784. Tenements and farm of 107 acres and 53 square rods in the Township of New Rochelle (Lib. T, p. 186).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Peter Huggeford               | John Paulding             | 29 15s.        | June 16, 1783. Sundry parcels of land comprising 160 acres and 16 rods in the Manor of Cortlandt. The property was appraised at £529 10s. For his service in the capture of Major Andre, Paulding was allowed a gratuity of £500 ( <i>Laws</i> , 4th sess., ch. 11, Oct. 7, 1780). This conveyance was executed by the Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Middle District (A.S., 137). |
| Edmond Ward                   | David Williams            | 1,330 17s. 6d. | June 16, 1783. Sundry parcels in the Township of Eastchester, comprising 252½ acres. Also one of the captors of Major Andre, Williams was allowed a gratuity of £500 ( <i>Laws</i> , 4th sess., ch. 51, Mar. 31, 1781). The property was appraised at £1,830 12s. 6d., and the conveyance was executed by the Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Middle District (A.S., 139).          |
| James Crawford                | Joseph Lockwood           | 100            | Aug. 26, 1784. The improvements of three lots in Poundridge, comprising 40 acres (A.S., 3).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| John Crawford                 | Amos Scofield             | 70             | Aug. 26, 1784. The improvements of a 35 acre lot in Poundridge (A.S., 3).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Lewis Palmer                  | Peter Carman              | 600            | Aug. 24, 1784. Messuage and 200 acre farm in the Manor of Cortlandt (A.S., 4).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| " "                           | " "                       | 240            | Aug. 24, 1784. Farm of 80 acres in the Manor of Cortlandt (A.S., 4).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Jonathan Morehouse            | Thomas Thomas, esq.       | 45             | Nov. 27, 1784. Land in Salem, with half the house and barn, half the meadow adjoining the house, and half of an undivided 16 acre lot of woodland, comprising in all 40 acres (A.S., 7).                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Adam Seaman                   | " "                       | 20             | May 18, 1786. Store House in the Township of Rye at a place called Saw Pitts (A.S., 122).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| George Cornwall               | Abraham Waring,<br>yeoman | 290            | July 6, 1784. Messuage and parcel of land in New Rochelle, including a small Hammock or Island in New Rochelle Creek, comprising in all 50 acres (Lib. I, p. 218).                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Ezekiel Hawley<br>junior      | Samuel Barnum             | 200            | Aug. 6, 1784. Sixty acre farm in Upper Salem (A.S., 1).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Nathan Osburn                 | Benjamin Titus            | 415            | Aug. 6, 1784. Farm comprising 200 acres in lower Salem (A.S., 1; Lib. I, p. 273).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

| <i>Loyalist Owner (cont.)</i> | <i>Purchaser</i>           | <i>Price</i> | <i>Date of Sale, Description and Place of Record</i>                                                 |
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| Jonathan Wright               | Seth Whitney               | £ 160        | July 3, 1784. Messuage and 80 acres of land in the Manor of Cortlandt ( <i>Deed Books</i> , 22:332). |
| (not cited)                   | Cornelius and Isaac Oakley | 202          | Aug. 20, 1784. Four lots comprising 42 acres ( <i>Lib. I</i> , p. 239).                              |

*Additional Records of Sales of Forfeited Estates.*

*Sales Upon Locations.<sup>1</sup>*

| <i>By Whom Located</i> | <i>By Whom Forfeited</i> | <i>Description, Date of Location, Sum Appraised At, and Place of Record</i>                              |
|------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| John Lawrence          | David Heustice           | House and tenements at Eastchester, in the occupation of Jonathan Hallett; May 13, 1784; £100 (A.S., 3). |
| " "                    | John Pell                | Lands and tenements in the Manor of Pelham; May 13, 1784; £542 10s. (A.S., 3).                           |
| " "                    | Frederick Devoe          | Upper Farm in New Rochelle; May 13, 1784; £749 (A.S., 3).                                                |
| James Hunt             | Solomon Fowler           | Farm in Eastchester and Westchester; May 13, 1784; £1,050 (A.S., 3).                                     |

1. As has been indicated, certificates issued to the troops of the State in the service of the United States, in liquidating their claim for pay by reason of the depreciation of the currency, were made receivable in payment upon purchases of confiscated lands at the same rate with specie. Persons possessed of such certificates could apply to the Commissioners for the purchase of any estate at an appraised price. Upon paying the sum at which the property was appraised, the holders of these certificates were to receive the property "in like manner as if such estates had been sold at public vendue." If the lands applied for were held by tenants, the latter were to be given the benefit of preemption to which they were entitled; but in the event they failed to avail themselves of this privilege, their holdings could then be sold to those who had applied for the purchase of the same (*Laws*, 4th sess., ch. 7, Oct. 4, 1780). Many speculators, who had come into possession of these certificates, took advantage of this act and located on and acquired many forfeited estates (see *New York Commissioners of Forfeitures—Southern District—Abstract of Sales, N. Y. City and Vicinity, 1784–1787*, pp. 1–16). In many instances persons located on forfeited estates in behalf of others. Thus, James Clinton located on the farm and meadows in Brookhaven, forfeited by Richard Floyd, appraised at £3,112. But the actual deed of sale cites Benjamin Floyd as the purchaser. Again, John Lawrence located on a house and lot in Little Queen Street, forfeited by John Harris Cruger, appraised at £800; but the Commissioners' abstract of the sale and the recorded deed cite Malachi Treat as the buyer. John McKesson made many locations in behalf of friends and fellow-speculators. Thus, he located on the estates forfeited by Benjamin Seaman, Christopher Billopp, and Dow Van Dyne, which properties were deeded to Cornelius C. Roosevelt and Thomas McFarren. Alexander McDougal located on lands and tenements in Queens County, forfeited by Daniel Kissam, appraised at £2,000; but the recorded instrument cites Peggy Kissam, widow of Daniel Kissam, as the purchaser. There are many records of sales in this Ms ledger in the New York Historical Society Library which are inaccurate and misleading. The most reliable guide to the actual sales of the Commissioners of Forfeitures are their abstracts of sales and deeds, which are recorded in every county where forfeited estates were sold. In this connection, the writer is citing only those records of locations on forfeited estates not covered by the data already given and which jibe with the Commissioners' reports as to the monies which their sales yielded to the State. The Commissioners' abstracts of sales and deeds do not cite any of the transactions listed here. The citations "A.S." are, in each case, to the Ms ledger in the New York Historical Society Library.

| <i>By Whom Located</i>               | <i>By Whom Forfeited</i> | <i>Description, Date of Location,<br/>Sum Appraised At, and Place of Record</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
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| Walter Seaman                        | Archelaus Carpenter      | Lands and tenements in the Township of North Castle, in the possession of Oliver Bailey; May 13, 1784; £490 (A.S., 3).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| " "                                  | Isaac Titus              | Tract of land in Bedford, Westchester County; May 13, 1784; £100 (A.S., 3).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| John D. Crimshire &<br>John Lawrence | George Folliot           | House and parcel of land in the occupation of John Dudley; May 13, 1784; £500 (A.S., 4).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Daniel Williams                      | John Gidney              | House and tract of land in New Rochelle; May 13, 1784; £684 (A.S., 4).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| John Lawrence                        | George Cornwell          | Parcel of land in New Rochelle; May 13, 1784; £290 (A.S., 4).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| James Hunt                           | Griffin Cory             | Farm in the Manor of Cortlandt; May 13, 1784; £900 (A.S., 4).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Stephen Ward                         | Nathan Whitney           | The Upper Farm in the Manor of Cortlandt; May 13, 1784; £400 (A.S., 4).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| " "                                  | William Reed             | Farm in Eastchester; May 13, 1784; £100 (A.S., 4).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| " "                                  | Benjamin Hunt            | Farm in Eastchester; May 13, 1784; £1,025 (A.S., 4).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| " "                                  | Isaac Williams           | Farm in Borough Town of Westchester; May 13, 1784; £875 (A.S., 4).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Benjamin Walker                      | Shubal Brush             | Parcel of land and appurtenances in the Middle Patent, Westchester County; May 13, 1784; £800 (A.S., 5).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Daniel Carman                        | Philip Jones             | Farm and tenements in the Manor of Cortlandt; May 14, 1784; £288 (A.S., 5).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| John Carman                          | Jeremiah Travis          | Farm in the Manor of Cortlandt; May 14, 1784; £306 (A.S., 6).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| John Lawrence                        | Miles Oakley             | Farm at the White Plains, Westchester County; May 14, 1784; £202 (A.S., 5).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| John Brown                           | Robert McGinnis          | House and lot at the corner of Ann Street, N. Y. City; May 14, 1784; £450 (A.S., 6). According to the Commissioners' abstract of sale and the recorded deed, Brown had purchased a house and lot on the corner of Gold and Ann Streets in Montgomery Ward for £475. The Commissioners' report of sales, however, cites the proceeds of McGinnis's estate as £450. |
| Peter Ricker                         | Shubal Sniffen           | House and farm in the Manor of Cortlandt; May 15, 1784; £320 (A.S., 7).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Gerard G. Beekman                    | Thomas Barker            | Farm and appurtenances in the Manor of Cortlandt; May 15, 1784; £98 (A.S., 7).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| James Pine                           | Thomas Merrit            | "All the remaining unmortgaged lands in the Farm of Thomas Merrit in Rye, County of Westchester;" May 17, 1784; £315 (A.S., 8).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Jonathan Bayles                      | Joseph Merrit            | Tract of land and premises in the Township of Rye; May 19, 1784; £1,178 (A.S., 9).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Stephen Ward                         | Anthony Miller           | Lands and tenements at the White Plains; May 19, 1784; £240 (A.S., 9).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Benjamin Walker                      | Gerrit Williamson        | Parcel of land at Gravesend, Kings County; May 20, 1784; £850 (A.S., 9).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

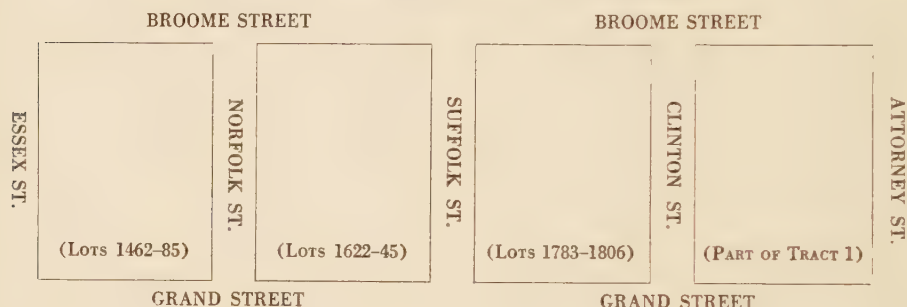


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|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Evert Bancker                                | Caleb Frost                            | Farm in the Manor of Cortlandt; May 20, 1784; £160 (A.S., 9).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| " "                                          | William Travis                         | Farm in the Manor of Cortlandt; May 20, 1784; £260 (A.S., 9).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| " "                                          | Benjamin Kipp                          | Farm in North Castle; May 20, 1784; £500 (A.S., 9).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Gerard G. Beekman                            | Jonathan Wright                        | Farm and improvements in the Manor of Cortlandt; May 28, 1784; £160 (A.S., 10).                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Benjamin Walker                              | Benjamin Lewis                         | Farm, mills, and tenements in the Manor of Cortlandt; June 2, 1784; £200 (A.S., 11).                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| " "                                          | Zoar Cock                              | Lands and buildings in the Manor of Cortlandt; June 2, 1784; £80 (A.S., 11).                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Joseph Osburn                                | Jeremiah Travis                        | The North Farm in the Manor of Cortlandt; June 2, 1784; £240 (A.S., 11).                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Joseph Lockwood                              | John Crawford                          | Lot in possession of Nathaniel Warren; May 31, 1784; £70 (A.S., 11).                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Gerard G. Beekman                            | James Holmes                           | Lands and tenements in the Township of Bedford, particularly "a Farm at the Hook;" June 2, 1784; £750 (A.S., 11).                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Isaac Norton                                 | Gabriel Davenport                      | Farm and messuage in the Township of North Castle; June 15, 1784; £300 (A.S., 12).                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Stephen Ward                                 | Joshua T. De St. Croix                 | Lands and tenements in New Rochelle; June 18, 1784; £312 (A.S., 12).                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| " "                                          | Edmund Ward                            | Estate on Mineford's Island in the Manor of Pelham; June 27, 1784; £35 (A.S., 13).                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| William Horton                               | Lewis Palmer                           | Lands and tenements in the Manor of Cortlandt; June 28, 1784; £690 (A.S., 13).                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Gilbert Van Cortlandt<br>& Theodosius Fowler | William Bayard                         | "All the Undivided Right of . . . William Bayard to one equal moiety of a certain lot of land in Cortlandt Manor;" July 3, 1784; £696 7s. (A.S., 13).                                                                                                                                            |
| Comfort & Joshua<br>Sands                    | James DeLancey (of<br>Westchester Co.) | House and lands late the property of James DeLancey, "being a moiety or equal half of the lands & mills of Oliver & James DeLancey;" May 13, 1784; £1,250 (A.S., 14).                                                                                                                            |
| Nicholas Romaine                             | John Weatherhead                       | House and lot on the south side of King Street (£250); the right of John Weatherhead in a house and lot on the west side of Queen Street (£449 7s. 6d.); a lot on the south side of the Broadway and a lot on the north corner of Broad and Beaver Streets (£48 18s.); July 10, 1784 (A.S., 14). |
| John Carman                                  | Peter Drake                            | Farm in the Manor of Cortlandt; May 14, 1784; £25 (A.S., 16).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Gerard Bancker                               | Benjamin Ogden                         | Farm in the Township of North Castle; May 20, 1784; £200 (A.S., 16).                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Thomas Ferris                                | Thomas Flewelling                      | Lands in North Castle on the west side of the road leading to Bedford; June 30, 1784; £100 (A.S., 16).                                                                                                                                                                                           |

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|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Samuel Townsend        | Stephen Fowler           | Lands and tenements in Westchester County; July 1, 1784; £219 (A.S., 16).       |
| " "                    | Jonathan Fowler          | Lands and tenements in Westchester County; July 1, 1784; £210 (A.S., 16).       |

## Appendix 3. Illustrations of the Subsequent History of the Loyalist Estates

### A. FOUR BLOCKS ON THE DeLANCEY ESTATE IN NEW YORK CITY<sup>1</sup>



#### History:

The first three blocks had been purchased from the Commissioners of Forfeitures by Isaac Roosevelt (*Deeds, New York County, Lib. 51, p. 254*), who sold them to John R. Livingston (*Ibid, Lib. 49, p. 13*). The fourth block had been purchased from the Commissioners by Morgan Lewis (*Ibid, Lib. 43, p. 36*), and the latter sold it to John R. Livingston (*Ibid, Lib. 47, p. 376*).

Having come into possession of these blocks, Livingston disposed of them in small city lots. The following is an abstract of the sales executed by him.

| Purchaser                                      | Date of Sale  | Price  | Description and Place of Record     |
|------------------------------------------------|---------------|--------|-------------------------------------|
| Thomas M. Post                                 | June 2, 1804  | \$ 875 | 1 lot (Lib. 68, p. 196).            |
| Samuel and Moses Goodrich,<br>house-carpenters | June 3, 1805  | £ 400  | 1 lot (Lib. 70, p. 338).            |
| Joshua Eckert, carpenter                       | May 13, 1807  | \$ 975 | 1 lot (Lib. 76, p. 231).            |
| Philip P. Eckert                               | Jan. 9, 1807  | 975    | 1 lot (Lib. 74, p. 464).            |
| George Riblet, tobacconist                     | July 18, 1810 | 1,050  | 1 lot and houses (Lib. 88, p. 231). |
| Alexander Kilpatrick                           | Dec. 22, 1810 | 800    | 1 lot (Lib. 91, p. 259).            |
| Robert Kenah, butcher                          | Mar. 20, 1811 | 700    | 1 lot (Lib. 91, p. 282).            |
| Samuel Goodrich, carpenter                     | June 3, 1811  | 800    | 1 lot (Lib. 92, p. 361).            |
| Samuel Redmond                                 | July 5, 1811  | 2,025  | 1 lot (Lib. 95, p. 60).             |
| Robert Kenah, butcher                          | Apr. 12, 1811 | 700    | 1 lot (Lib. 94, p. 235).            |
| John Conger                                    | Mar. 30, 1815 | 1,000  | 1 lot (Lib. 108, p. 616).           |
| George Riblet, tobacconist                     | Apr. 8, 1815  | 1,000  | 1 lot (Lib. 110, p. 95).            |
| John Conger, edgetool maker                    | Feb. 5, 1816  | 950    | 1 lot (Lib. 113, p. 179).           |
| " "                                            | Mar. 21, 1818 | 725    | 1 lot (Lib. 125, p. 487).           |
| John Hunter, teacher                           | May 23, 1818  | 1,000  | 1 lot (Lib. 130, p. 38).            |
| Alexander Stewart, sash-maker                  | Oct. 6, 1818  | 800    | 1 lot (Lib. 131, p. 441).           |
| " "                                            | Mar. 24, 1819 | 760    | 1 lot (Lib. 135, p. 47).            |
| William Hall                                   | " "           | 760    | 1 lot (Lib. 135, p. 59).            |
| Henry G. Disbrow                               | May 7, 1819   | 600    | 1 lot (Lib. 136, p. 165).           |
| Samuel Cheeseman                               | May 7, 1811   | 600    | 1 lot (Lib. 135, p. 543).           |

1. For an excellent guide to the study of the histories of individual blocks and lots, consult: *Block Index of Reindexed Conveyances*, in the Office of the Register of New York County (Hall of Records).

| <i>Purchaser (cont.)</i>                          | <i>Date of Sale</i> | <i>Price</i> | <i>Description and Place of Record</i>                              |
|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Goold Brown                                       | May 7, 1819         | \$ 600       | 1 lot (Lib. 137, p. 75).                                            |
| Joshua Eckert                                     | " " "               | 600          | 1 lot (Lib. 137, p. 102).                                           |
| James Strickland                                  | June 2, 1819        | 650          | 1 lot (Lib. 136, p. 428).                                           |
| John Coreley, chairmaker                          | June 3, 1819        | 700          | 1 lot (Lib. 138, p. 101).                                           |
| S. W. and B. Disbrow                              | May 7, 1819         | 600          | 1 lot (Lib. 138, p. 292).                                           |
| Alexander Mustard                                 | Mar. 24, 1819       | 760          | 1 lot (Lib. 139, p. 307).                                           |
| Matthias Anderson, carpenter                      | " " "               | 760          | 1 lot (Lib. 140, p. 41).                                            |
| S. W. and B. Disbrow                              | May 5, 1819         | 600          | 1 lot (Lib. 140, p. 239).                                           |
| William Meserve                                   | Dec. 29, 1819       | 675          | 1 lot (Lib. 141, p. 228).                                           |
| " " "                                             | " " "               | 700          | 1 lot (Lib. 141, p. 230).                                           |
| James Pinkerton, paver                            | Nov. 4, 1820        | 500          | 1 lot (Lib. 147, p. 277).                                           |
| John Brewer                                       | Sept. 15, 1820      | 600          | 1 lot (Lib. 147, p. 286).                                           |
| Samuel Forgey                                     | Nov. 13, 1820       | 500          | 1 lot (Lib. 147, p. 333).                                           |
| John J. Anthony, brewer                           | Dec. 20, 1820       | 500          | 1 lot (Lib. 148, p. 225).                                           |
| James G. Reynolds, carpenter                      | Jan. 16, 1821       | 875          | 1 lot (Lib. 148, p. 262).                                           |
| Benjamin Webb                                     | Mar. 27, 1821       | 600          | 1 lot (Lib. 152, p. 105).                                           |
| Alva Smith                                        | Apr. 2, 1821        | 525          | 1 lot (Lib. 151, p. 153).                                           |
| John Conger                                       | July 9, 1821        | 600          | 1 lot (Lib. 153 p. 368).                                            |
| Job Furman                                        | Nov. 23, 1821       | 623.70       | 1 lot (Lib. 156, p. 309).                                           |
| John Couzins, builder                             | Sept. 3, 1822       | 1,200        | 2 lots (Lib. 161, p. 366).                                          |
| David Halsey, shipjoiner                          | May 22, 1818        | 2,000        | 2 lots (Lib. 164, p. 370).                                          |
| Luther Halsey                                     | Mar. 27, 1823       | 550          | 1 lot (Lib. 165, p. 418).                                           |
| Henry W. Titus, master<br>builder                 | Sept. 19, 1834      | 3,955        | 2 lots (Lib. 319, p. 156).                                          |
| Harriet L. Brown                                  | Sept. 13, 1836      | 1            | 1 lot (Lib. 363, p. 287).                                           |
| Francis Johnson                                   | Nov. 24, 1803       | 750          | 1 lot (Lib. 66, p. 93).                                             |
| John Michaels, blacksmith                         | Apr. 18, 1807       | 1,000        | 1 lot (Lib. 80, p. 128).                                            |
| Bryan McLaughlin, grocer                          | Jan. 2, 1809        | 1,750        | 1 lot (Lib. 82, p. 7).                                              |
| Alexander Todd, cartman                           | " " "               | 1,500        | 1 lot (Lib. 82, p. 10).                                             |
| John Stanley, carman                              | July 2, 1817        | 2,250        | 1 lot (Lib. 122, p. 324).                                           |
| Caleb Felch, dirt cartman                         | Aug. 26, 1818       | 900          | 1 lot (Lib. 130, p. 256).                                           |
| John Stanley                                      | Jan. 12, 1819       | 900          | 1 lot (Lib. 134, p. 180).                                           |
| James Newby, grocer                               | Sept. 15, 1820      | 530          | 1 lot (Lib. 147, p. 131).                                           |
| Oliver Avery and Matthias<br>Anderson, carpenters | Sept. 24, 1821      | 3,000        | 5 lots (Lib. 154, p. 390).                                          |
| Alexander Divner, cordial<br>distiller            | Oct. 21, 1822       | 550          | 1 lot (Lib. 162, p. 447).                                           |
| John Nesbet, boat builder                         | Dec., 1822          | 550          | 1 lot (Lib. 163, p. 147).                                           |
| John Couzins                                      | Oct. 12, 1822       | 1,000        | 2 lots (Lib. 164, p. 18).                                           |
| James Heron, ship carver                          | Aug. 26, 1823       | 550          | 1 lot (Lib. 169, p. 297).                                           |
| Samuel L. Gouverneur                              | Nov. 28, 1823       | 4,700        | 6 lots (Lib. 173, p. 296).                                          |
| Charles Keyes                                     | Dec. 1, 1823        | 70/yr.       | 1 lot. A 21 year lease; \$70 per year<br>rental (Lib. 175, p. 108). |
| Matthew Sheridan                                  | Dec. 8, 1823        | 70/yr.       | 1 lot. A 21 year lease; \$70 per year<br>rental (Lib. 179, p. 128). |
| Edward Livingston                                 | June 28, 1826       | 1            | 10 lots (Lib. 207, p. 139).                                         |
| Charles Sandford, mason                           | Jan. 10, 1828       | 1,500        | 1 lot (Lib. 230, p. 484).                                           |
| Samuel Forgey, paver                              | Oct. 28, 1828       | 2,000        | 1 parcel (Lib. 241, p. 400).                                        |
| William C. Brooks, cartman                        | May 9, 1829         | 1,150        | 1 lot (Lib. 250, p. 510).                                           |
| Samuel Smith, carpenter                           | July 1, 1829        | 1,100        | 1 lot (Lib. 252, p. 515).                                           |
| Elias Randel, ladies' shoe-<br>maker              | Aug. 29, 1831       | 1,000        | 1 lot (Lib. 276, p. 370).                                           |
| John Conger                                       | Dec. 16, 1831       | 1,800        | 2 lots (Lib. 278, p. 511).                                          |
| Samuel Atkinson, carpenter                        | Dec. 19, 1831       | 900          | 1 lot (Lib. 278, p. 591).                                           |
| Charles Farrington, carpenter                     | Mar. 19, 1833       | 2,640        | 1 lot (Lib. 294, p. 348).                                           |

| <i>Purchaser (cont.)</i>                                    | <i>Date of Sale</i> | <i>Price</i> | <i>Description and Place of Record</i> |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|----------------------------------------|
| Charles T. Cromwell, lawyer                                 | May 10, 1833        | \$2,000      | 1 lot (Lib. 306, p. 144).              |
| Jacob Burdett, cartman                                      | May 11, 1818        | 850          | 1 lot (Lib. 352, p. 302).              |
| Samuel Atkinson, builder                                    | May 26, 1837        | 3,000        | 1 lot (Lib. 360, p. 121).              |
| Alexander Fonestall and Welcome V. R. Arnold, stone cutters | Aug. 4, 1837        | 2,000        | 1 lot (Lib. 379, p. 379).              |
| John Conger                                                 | Dec. 16, 1831       | 1            | 1 lot (Lib. 405, p. 207).              |
| William Forgay, paver                                       | Mar. 16, 1842       | 2,000        | 1 lot (Lib. 424, p. 309).              |

B. THE COMFORT AND JOSHUA SANDS PURCHASE OF ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY ACRES OF JOHN RAPALJE'S ESTATE IN BROOKLYN.

*History:*

As has been indicated, Comfort and Joshua Sands had purchased from the Commissioners of Forfeitures one hundred and sixty acres of John Rapalje's estate in Brooklyn, together with the houses, barns, stables, and other improvements erected thereon, for £12,430. To secure the payment of \$50,000 which he owed to the Bank of New York, Comfort Sands mortgaged half the property on June 15, 1787. On July 9, 1798 he conveyed the mortgaged premises to Henry Sands for \$60,000, subject to the said mortgage. When Comfort and Henry Sands failed to discharge their debt, the Bank of New York foreclosed the mortgage; and a Court of Chancery ordered the public sale of the mortgaged premises. The following is an abstract of the sales executed by Comfort, Joshua, and Henry Sands, as well as those made by Thomas Cooper, Master in Chancery, for the payment of the debt which Comfort and Henry Sands owed to the Bank of New York (1).

| <i>Purchaser</i>                                   | <i>Date of Sale</i> | <i>Price</i> | <i>Description</i>                                    | <i>Lib. &amp; Page</i> |
|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Archibald Blaksley, inn-keeper*                    | Aug. 20, 1789       | £ 50         | 2 lots                                                | 6 427                  |
| Thomas Van Pelt, masoner*                          | Nov. 21, 1792       | 100          | 1 lot                                                 | 6 480                  |
| Joseph Smith, carpenter*                           | Mar. 1, 1796        | 100          | 1 lot                                                 | 7 44                   |
| Jeffery Tillotson, hatter*                         | May 23, 1796        | 300          | 1 lot                                                 | 7 49                   |
| Richard Herbert, yeoman*                           | June 1, 1796        | 100          | 1 lot                                                 | 7 73, 109              |
| John Jackson, merchant*                            | Dec. 6, 1796        | 150          | Triangular lot comprising 3 acres and 1 rod           | 7 83                   |
| Martin Boerum, gentleman*                          | May 1, 1797         | 100          | 1 lot                                                 | 7 97                   |
| William Udall, merchant*                           | " " "               | \$ 500       | 16 lots                                               | 7 117                  |
| Henry Sands, attorney****                          | July 9, 1798        | 60,000       | ½ of the Comfort and Joshua Sands purchase (80 acres) | 7 170                  |
| David Smith, inn-keeper***                         | Mar. 4, 1800        | £ 700        | 1 lot                                                 | 7 199                  |
| Master William Boerum***                           | Apr. 20, 1800       | 200          | 2 lots                                                | 7 201                  |
| Thomas Carpenter and Philetus Havens, merchants*** | Feb. 18, 1800       | \$ 750       | 1 lot and premises                                    | 7 204                  |
| Joseph Fox Boerum***                               | May 1, 1800         | 375          | 1 lot                                                 | 7 239                  |
| Martin Boerum***                                   | June 23, 1800       | £ 25         | 1 lot                                                 | 7 241                  |
| Simon Boerum***                                    | July 1, 1800        | 75           | 1 lot                                                 | 7 243                  |

1. The citations of Libers in this connection refer to the *Libers of Conveyances (Deeds)* recorded in the Office of the Register of Kings County. The following is the key to grantors:

\* Comfort and Joshua Sands.

\*\* Thomas Cooper, Master in Chancery, as grantor for Comfort and Henry Sands.

\*\*\* Joshua Sands.

\*\*\*\* Comfort Sands.

\*\*\*\*\* Henry Sands.





MAP OF PROPERTY OF COMFORT & JOSHUA SANDS IN BROOKLYN  
(PART OF THE ESTATE FORFEITED BY JOHN RAPALJE)

Drawn from C. Th. Goerck's "Plan of Comfort and Joshua Sands' Place, 1788,"  
in the Office of the Register, Kings County.



| <i>Purchaser (cont.)</i>                                                                     | <i>Date of Sale</i> | <i>Price</i> | <i>Description</i>                                                    | <i>Lib. &amp; Page</i> |     |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----|
| John Dean, cordwainer***                                                                     | Mar. 4, 1800        | £ 350        | 1 lot                                                                 | 7                      | 250 |
| John Jackson, esquire*****                                                                   | Dec. 6, 1800        | \$ 2,012.50  | 3 lots                                                                | 7                      | 276 |
| " " "                                                                                        | May 5, 1801         | 1,250        | sundry lots                                                           | 7                      | 280 |
| Methodist Episcopal Church<br>at Brooklyn* "with a view<br>to promote religion and<br>piety" | Sept. 1, 1794       | £ 100        | 1 lot                                                                 | 7                      | 290 |
| Trustees of the Methodist<br>Meeting at Brooklyn***                                          | Oct. 9, 1800        | \$ 250       | 1 lot                                                                 | 7                      | 291 |
| Peleg Back, carpenter***                                                                     | Apr. 8, 1800        | £ 250        | 1 lot and premises                                                    | 7                      | 294 |
| Isaac Nichols, cabinet-<br>maker***                                                          | Sept. 1, 1800       | \$ 2,150     | 1 lot and premises                                                    | 7                      | 296 |
| Gilbert Van Mater, mer-<br>chant*****                                                        | Dec. 6, 1800        | 750          | 2 lots                                                                | 7                      | 310 |
| William Clark, mariner***                                                                    | May 1, 1801         | 500          | 16 lots                                                               | 7                      | 320 |
| John Harris, rope maker***                                                                   | ....., 1801         | 250          | 1 lot                                                                 | 7                      | 335 |
| John Jackson ****                                                                            | Mar. 10, 1802       | 1,775        | 5 lots                                                                | 7                      | 341 |
| Samuel Jackson****                                                                           | " " "               | 3,500        | 1 lot and the house<br>"formerly occupied<br>by John Rapalje<br>Esq." | 7                      | 343 |
| John Hicks, gentleman***                                                                     | July 1, 1801        | 750          | 1 lot and premises                                                    | 7                      | 355 |
| Isaac Moser, carpenter***                                                                    | July 5, 1800        | 750          | 1 lot and premises                                                    | 7                      | 357 |
| Obed Smith, mariner***                                                                       | Sept. 21, 1801      | 175          | 1 lot                                                                 | 7                      | 359 |
| Henry Stanton, gentleman***                                                                  | Mar. 14, 1800       | £ 1,400      | lot and premises                                                      | 8                      | 1   |
| Samuel Nesbit***                                                                             | Dec. 8, 1802        | \$ 1,750     | 1 lot                                                                 | 8                      | 39  |
| John Mintonye, carpenter***                                                                  | Apr. 4, 1800        | £ 210        | lot and premises                                                      | 8                      | 47  |
| Joseph Moser, carpenter***                                                                   | Sept. 2, 1800       | \$ 375       | lot and premises                                                      | 8                      | 49  |
| Samuel B. Harper***                                                                          | Aug. 17, 1803       | 750          | lot and premises                                                      | 8                      | 63  |
| Charles Brownne***                                                                           | Sept. 22, 1803      | £ 300        | 1 lot                                                                 | 8                      | 65  |
| Nathaniel Hempsted***                                                                        | Oct. 5, 1803        | 150          | 1 lot                                                                 | 8                      | 67  |
| Oliver H. Hicks***                                                                           | Dec. 6, 1803        | \$ 450       | 1 lot                                                                 | 8                      | 76  |
| Charles Hewlett***                                                                           | Dec. 6, 1803        | 450          | 1 lot                                                                 | 8                      | 79  |
| Theodorus Hunt*****                                                                          | Dec. 6, 1800        | 1,000        | 1 lot                                                                 | 8                      | 92  |
| Joseph Webb, baker***                                                                        | Apr. 14, 1800       | £ 1,000      | House and lot                                                         | 8                      | 104 |
| John Smith, merchant**                                                                       | July 3, 1804        | \$ 880       | 5 lots                                                                | 8                      | 131 |
| David Smith, inn-keeper**                                                                    | " " "               | 260          | 2 lots                                                                | 8                      | 134 |
| Gilbert Haight, saddler**                                                                    | " " "               | 655          | 2 lots                                                                | 8                      | 137 |
| John F. Gordon**                                                                             | " " "               | 295          | 1 lot                                                                 | 8                      | 143 |
| Noah Waterbury, merchant**                                                                   | " " "               | 2,655        | 16 lots                                                               | 8                      | 146 |
| Comfort Sands*****                                                                           | Sept. 15, 1801      | 15,000       | 33 lots, dock and store-<br>house, and stone<br>dwelling-house        | 8                      | 146 |
| Benjamin Cornwell**                                                                          | July 3, 1804        | 635          | 2 lots                                                                | 8                      | 159 |
| Samuel Osborn**                                                                              | " " "               | 1,265        | 9 lots                                                                | 8                      | 161 |
| Charles Hewlet***                                                                            | Aug. 20, 1804       | 450          | 1 lot                                                                 | 8                      | 164 |
| Martha Hall, spinster**                                                                      | Jan. 23, 1805       | 200          | 1 lot                                                                 | 8                      | 175 |
| David Smith**                                                                                | Dec. 5, 1804        | 660          | 5 lots                                                                | 8                      | 180 |
| John Hastings, gardener***                                                                   | Apr. 30, 1801       | 500          | 1 parcel                                                              | 8                      | 183 |
| Jacob Schieffelin, druggist**                                                                | May 24, 1805        | 1,160        | 14 lots                                                               | 8                      | 185 |
| Titus Conklin, ship master**                                                                 | June 7, 1805        | 1,715        | 20 lots                                                               | 8                      | 189 |
| Samuel Banton, farmer**                                                                      | Jan. 23, 1805       | 125          | 1 lot                                                                 | 8                      | 210 |
| Asa Whitney, watch maker**                                                                   | " " "               | 160          | 1 lot                                                                 | 8                      | 215 |
| " " "                                                                                        | May 17, 1805        | 130          | 1 lot                                                                 | 8                      | 219 |
| Elisha Coit, merchant**                                                                      | July 23, 1804       | 760          | 5 lots                                                                | 8                      | 224 |

| <i>Purchaser (cont.)</i>                                             | <i>Date of Sale</i> | <i>Price</i> | <i>Description</i>                       | <i>Lib. &amp; Page</i> |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Albert O'Brien**                                                     | June 7, 1805        | \$ 560       | 8 lots                                   | 8 232                  |
| St. Ann's Church***                                                  | Sept. 28, 1803      | 1            | 1 lot                                    | 8 237                  |
| " " "                                                                | Mar. 20, 1805       | 1            | 1 lot                                    | 8 239                  |
| John Smith, rope maker**                                             | May 17, 1805        | 325          | 5 lots                                   | 8 245                  |
| " " "                                                                | May 24, 1805        | 510          | 6 lots                                   | 8 250                  |
| Samuel Osborne**                                                     | Jan. 23, 1805       | 650          | 5 lots                                   | 8 257                  |
| Noah Waterbury, merchant**                                           | May 24, 1805        | 1,170        | 18 lots                                  | 8 262                  |
| Episcopal Church, "with a<br>view to promote Religion<br>and Piety"* | July 21, 1792       | £ 10         | 1 lot                                    | 8 272                  |
| " " "                                                                | Mar. 20, 1789       | 10           | 1 lot                                    | 8 274                  |
| Benjamin Meeker**                                                    | Dec. 5, 1804        | \$ 320       | 2 lots                                   | 8 276                  |
| Reuben Brooks, ship-joiner**                                         | May 17, 1805        | 155          | 1 lot                                    | 8 283                  |
| George Suckley, merchant**                                           | May 24, 1805        | 1,650        | 22 lots                                  | 8 288                  |
| John Jackson, merchant**                                             | " " "               | 720          | 84 lots                                  | 8 296                  |
| " " "                                                                | June 7, 1804        | 385          | 7 lots                                   | 8 301                  |
| Harsel Smith***                                                      | July 29, 1805       | 500          | 1 lot                                    | 8 319                  |
| William Irwin, blacksmith**                                          | June 7, 1805        | 150          | 2 lots                                   | 8 327                  |
| Jacob Weaver, shipwright**                                           | " " "               | 150          | 2 lots                                   | 8 331                  |
| John Lamberson, yeoman***                                            | June 3, 1800        | 375          | 1 lot                                    | 8 356                  |
| Thomas Irish, mariner***                                             | Nov. 20, 1803       | 275          | 1 lot                                    | 8 386                  |
| Episcopal Church*****                                                | Dec. 15, 1800       | 2,625        | 1 lot                                    | 8 394                  |
| Peter Jayne***                                                       | Nov. 24, 1802       | 150          | lot and premises                         | 8 404                  |
| Wallabout and Brooklyn Toll<br>Bridge Company***                     | Sept. 6, 1806       | 1            | 1 lot                                    | 8 407                  |
| Oliver H. Hicks***                                                   | Aug. 20, 1806       | 150          | 1 lot                                    | 8 410                  |
| William Kid, inn-keeper***                                           | Dec. 13, 1803       | 400          | 1 lot                                    | 8 413                  |
| Henry Stanton***                                                     | Sept. 10, 1806      | 2,000        | 1 lot "with a use of a<br>passageway"    | 8 417                  |
| Noah Waterbury***                                                    | May 1, 1805         | 750          | 1 lot                                    | 8 420                  |
| Garret Stryker**                                                     | Feb. 14, 1806       | 795          | 3 lots                                   | 8 432                  |
| Selah Smith, inn-keeper**                                            | June 7, 1805        | 125          | 1 lot                                    | 9 6                    |
| Aeme J. Barbarin, esq.**                                             | May 17, 1805        | 540          | 4 lots                                   | 9 19                   |
| Joseph Sands, merchant**                                             | " " "               | 350          | 5 lots                                   | 9 32                   |
| " " "                                                                | June 7, 1805        | 420          | 7 lots                                   | 9 37                   |
| " " "                                                                | Jan. 23, 1805       | 500          | 1 lot for a Rope Walk                    | 9 43                   |
| Richard M. Malcom***                                                 | May 1, 1802         | 750          | 1 lot                                    | 9 85                   |
| John Harmer, painter***                                              | Mar. 4, 1800        | £ 325        | lot and premises                         | 9 89                   |
| " " "                                                                | Aug. 28, 1797       | 180          | 1 lot with the use of a<br>passageway    | 9 92                   |
| " " ***                                                              | July 2, 1800        | \$ 200       | lot and premises                         | 9 100                  |
| Aime J. Barbarin***                                                  | May 1, 1807         | 700          | 1 lot                                    | 9 139                  |
| Abraham Fardon, sail-<br>maker**                                     | June 7, 1805        | 240          | 4 lots                                   | 9 167                  |
| Henry Stanton***                                                     | June 1, 1807        | 1,500        | 1 lot                                    | 9 181                  |
| John Smith, rope-maker***                                            | Oct. 1, 1800        | 375          | lot and premises                         | 9 184                  |
| Henry Hewlet***                                                      | May 1, 1807         | 450          | 1 lot                                    | 9 190                  |
| Episcopal Church of Brook-<br>lyn*****                               | Dec. 15, 1800       | 375          | 1 lot with the privilege<br>of a gangway | 9 201                  |
| John Ireland, rector of St.<br>Ann's Church*****                     | Dec. 15, 1800       | 500          | 1 lot                                    | 9 209                  |
| Derick Amerman***                                                    | Oct. 18, 1805       | 175          | 1 lot                                    | 9 224                  |
| John Harmer*****                                                     | June 23, 1801       | £ 90         | 1 lot                                    | 9 243                  |
| Jabez Miller***                                                      | Feb. 16, 1808       | \$ 100       | 1 lot                                    | 9 303                  |

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| Whitehead Cornwell**                           | July 3, 1804        | \$ 375       | 3 lots                                                                                                                                             | 9 411                  |
| Trustees of the Town of Brooklyn***            | May 1, 1808         | 1            | 1 lot                                                                                                                                              | 9 444                  |
| James P. Chichester***                         | May 1, 1809         | 800          | 1 lot                                                                                                                                              | 9 451                  |
| " " " "                                        | May 16, 1809        | 1,500        | 1 lot                                                                                                                                              | 9 458                  |
| Coertland Van Buren, merchant**                | Feb. 14, 1806       | 1,170        | 4 lots                                                                                                                                             | 9 500                  |
| George Suckley***                              | Nov. 14, 1809       | 400          | 1 lot                                                                                                                                              | 9 563                  |
| Caleb Scofield, cooper***                      | May 1, 1807         | 500          | 1 lot                                                                                                                                              | 9 586                  |
| Reuben Brooks, ship-joiner**                   | June 7, 1805        | 61           | 1 lot                                                                                                                                              | 10 47                  |
| James Grant Forbes, merchant**                 | July 3, 1804        | 520          | 4 lots                                                                                                                                             | 10 61                  |
| Nicholas Peterson, merchant**                  | May 24, 1805        | 300          | 4 lots                                                                                                                                             | 10 89                  |
| John Cornelison, rope-maker***                 | Aug. 1, 1800        | 500          | lot and premises                                                                                                                                   | 10 130                 |
| " " "                                          | Nov. 1, 1806        | 250          | 1 lot                                                                                                                                              | 10 135                 |
| John Hains***                                  | Nov. 13, 1810       | 67.50        | 1 lot                                                                                                                                              | 10 137                 |
| William Cornwell***                            | May 1, 1811         | 1,125        | 1 lot                                                                                                                                              | 10 178                 |
| Joseph Smith, cork-cutter**                    | July 3, 1804        | 600          | 4 lots                                                                                                                                             | 10 203                 |
| Barry Colles***                                | Aug. 25, 1807       | 150          | 1 lot                                                                                                                                              | 10 216                 |
| " " "                                          | " " "               | 150          | 1 lot                                                                                                                                              | 10 218                 |
| Richard A. Sands***                            | May 1, 1808         | 6,500        | 1 lot                                                                                                                                              | 10 225                 |
| Robert Sands of Rhinebeck****                  | Feb. 21, 1807       | 4,500        | land set apart for rope-walks, including the ground on which the store at the head of the rope walk stands and all other buildings erected thereon | 10 232                 |
| Ithiel Smead***                                | Mar. 20, 1805       | 150          | 1 lot                                                                                                                                              | 10 243                 |
| Thomas Carpenter and Mark Fowler, merchants*** | Mar. 20, 1811       | 6,500        | 1 lot                                                                                                                                              | 10 251                 |
| William M. Carter***                           | June 7, 1806        | 1,000        | 1 lot                                                                                                                                              | 10 293                 |
| Thomas Carpenter and Mark Fowler***            | Mar. 7, 1812        | 1,000        | 1 lot                                                                                                                                              | 10 355                 |
| Platt Kennedy, teacher**                       | Jan. 23, 1805       | 280          | 2 lots                                                                                                                                             | 10 374                 |
| Thomas Carpenter and Mark Fowler***            | July 8, 1812        | 750          | a parcel of land and "the water and land covered with water"                                                                                       | 10 378                 |
| Richard Ayscough Sands***                      | May 4, 1812         | 600          | 1 lot                                                                                                                                              | 10 433                 |
| Jonathan Fay, brass-founder**                  | May 17, 1805        | 155          | 1 lot                                                                                                                                              | 10 465                 |
| Joseph Looker***                               | Oct. 2, 1809        | 187          | 1 lot                                                                                                                                              | 10 488                 |
| Thomas Carpenter and Mark Fowler***            | July 8, 1812        | 1,150        | 1 lot                                                                                                                                              | 10 491                 |
| The Merchants' Bank in the City of New York*** | Aug. 17, 1813       | 25,000       | 4 lots                                                                                                                                             | 10 513                 |
| George Suckley***                              | July 10, 1811       | 2,200        | 1 lot                                                                                                                                              | 11 46                  |
| " " "                                          | July 20, 1811       | 2,000        | 1 lot                                                                                                                                              | 11 48                  |
| Ebenezer Stevens, merchant***                  | Dec. 28, 1813       | 8,750        | 5 parcels                                                                                                                                          | 11 65                  |



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| Austin L. Sands, merchant,<br>and Samuel Stevens, es-<br>quire*** | Dec. 28, 1813       | \$ 1,750     | 1 lot                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 11                     | 68  |
| Austin L. Sands***                                                | Jan. 1, 1814        | 550          | 1 lot                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 11                     | 71  |
| Ebenezer Stevens***                                               | May 4, 1814         | 3,750        | 1 parcel                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 11                     | 73  |
| Benjamin Disobry, mer-<br>chant***                                | Nov. 10, 1813       | 687.96       | 1 lot                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 11                     | 83  |
| Ebenezer Stevens and Richard<br>Harrison***                       | May 10, 1814        | 1            | and in consideration of<br>various debts . . .<br>Joshua Sands con-<br>veyed to them his<br>entire estate in trust,<br>to sell the property.<br>The money arising<br>from the sales was<br>to be used to meet<br>the demands of his<br>creditors | 11                     | 78  |
| D. Sullivan, merchant***                                          | May 4, 1814         | 500          | 1 lot                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 11                     | 88  |
| Thomas Kirk, printer***                                           | June 4, 1800        | 1,750        | 1 lot                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 11                     | 93  |
| George Suckley, merchant***                                       | Dec. 24, 1813       | 500          | 1 lot                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 11                     | 108 |
| Simon Fleet**                                                     | July 3, 1804        | 680          | 4 lots                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 11                     | 132 |
| William Carmen***                                                 | May 1, 1807         | £ 68         | 1 lot                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 11                     | 153 |
| Jeremiah Johnson, esquire***                                      | Aug. 22, 1814       | \$ 1,375     | 2 lots                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 11                     | 259 |
| Samuel Jackson, merchant**                                        | June 7, 1805        | 490          | 7 lots                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 11                     | 274 |
| “ “ ***                                                           | June 1, 1812        | 500          | 1 lot                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 11                     | 287 |
| Joseph Kello and Joseph Fel-<br>lows***                           | May 1, 1815         | 25/yr.       | 14 year lease on a lot<br>and the privilege of<br>the wharf in front<br>of the mill erected<br>on the premises                                                                                                                                   | 11                     | 337 |
| Alexander Birkbeck***                                             | May 1, 1811         | 750          | 1 lot                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 11                     | 498 |
| Peter Sharp and Lodewik<br>Sharp***                               | Dec. 7, 1813        | 425          | 1 lot                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 11                     | 621 |
| Samuel Evans and John Bul-<br>lus, esquires***                    | Mar. 21, 1817       | 15,000       | sundry lots                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 12                     | 20  |
| Samuel Evans***                                                   | “ “ “               | 1,300        | 1 lot                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 12                     | 23  |
| Samuel Evans and John Bul-<br>lus***                              | “ “ “               | 1            | 1 lot                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 12                     | 24  |
| White Matlack, gentleman**                                        | June 7, 1805        | 195          | 3 lots                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 12                     | 82  |
| Richard Lupardus**                                                | May 17, 1805        | 280          | 4 lots                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 12                     | 102 |
| Henry Remsen, esquire***                                          | June 22, 1813       | 775          | 1 lot                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 12                     | 112 |
| John Blagge, esquire****                                          | Jan. 30, 1808       | 600          | 1 lot                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 12                     | 117 |
| Charles Lalliet***                                                | May 20, 1802        | 1,450        | lot and premises                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 12                     | 119 |
| George Gibbs, merchant***                                         | May 4, 1814         | 835          | 1 lot, subject to a<br>mortgage on it                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 12                     | 154 |
| Austin L. Sands***                                                | May 10, 1814        | 200          | 1 lot                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 12                     | 155 |
| Samuel Stevens and Austin L.<br>Sands***                          | Nov. 24, 1817       | 300          | 1 lot                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 12                     | 166 |
| James Cosgrove***                                                 | Aug. 26, 1817       | 137.50       | 1 lot                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 12                     | 177 |
| Augustus Graham, distiller***                                     | May 13, 1818        | 1,500        | 1 lot                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 12                     | 221 |
| Francis Mott***                                                   | May 1, 1818         | 200          | 1 lot                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 12                     | 263 |
| Gabriel Havens, merchant**                                        | May 24, 1805        | 1,000        | 10 lots                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 12                     | 394 |

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| William Henry, grocer**                                   | July 3, 1804        | \$ 560       | 4 lots                                                                        | 12 422                 |
| Ann Smith, widow***                                       | Aug. 20, 1819       | 200          | 1 lot                                                                         | 12 425                 |
| Samuel Sackett***                                         | Aug. 13, 1819       | 1            | "and other good causes<br>and considerations"                                 |                        |
|                                                           |                     |              | 1 lot                                                                         | 12 429                 |
| Samuel Vail, carpenter***                                 | May 1, 1809         | 193.75       | 1 lot                                                                         | 12 534                 |
| " "                                                       | June 10, 1819       | 112.50       | 1 lot                                                                         | 12 535                 |
| Jacob Stout***                                            | May 10, 1814        | 2,750        | 1 lot                                                                         | 12 629                 |
| William Clapp, flour mer-<br>chant**                      | May 17, 1805        | 540          | 4 lots                                                                        | 13 38                  |
| John B. Cazeaux, merchant***                              | Sept. 15, 1821      | 10           | strip of land                                                                 | 13 117                 |
| " " " "                                                   | " " "               | 10           | piece of land and<br>premises                                                 | 13 119                 |
| Augustin Charles Pepin, mer-<br>chant**                   | July 3, 1804        | 620          | 4 lots                                                                        | 13 538                 |
| Ely Elmore***                                             | Oct. 2, 1809        | 750          | 1 lot                                                                         | 14 8                   |
| " " "                                                     | " " "               | 750          | 1 lot                                                                         | 14 10                  |
| Elizabeth Brown, widow***                                 | Apr. 29, 1817       | 200          | 1 lot                                                                         | 14 292                 |
| Gorham Smith, mariner***                                  | May 24, 1803        | 500          | 4 lots                                                                        | 14 295                 |
| Joseph Cornwell, harness<br>maker***                      | July 27, 1801       | 1,000        | 1 lot                                                                         | 14 375                 |
| John Hallahan, carpenter**                                | Feb. 14, 1806       | 150          | 1 lot                                                                         | 14 393                 |
| Abiel Titus***                                            | Mar. 19, 1800       | £ 2,000      | lot and premises                                                              | 15 92                  |
| Henry A. and John G. Coster,<br>merchants***              | Feb. 28, 1817       |              | 1 lot                                                                         | 15 97                  |
| Thomas H. Smith, mer-<br>chant***                         | July 6, 1824        | \$ 3,380     | 1 lot                                                                         | 15 104                 |
| Grace Sands***                                            | May 29, 1812        | 283.11       | 1 lot                                                                         | 15 147                 |
| Christina Sands***                                        | " " "               | 283.12       | 1 lot                                                                         | 15 149                 |
| Trustees of the Village of<br>Brooklyn*                   | Aug. 18, 1824       | 1            | and diverse other con-<br>siderations ground<br>for the making of a<br>street | 15 250                 |
| Joseph Moser, carpenter****                               | Sept. 16, 1824      | 200          | 1 lot                                                                         | 15 308                 |
| Fanning C. Tucker and Robert<br>Carter, merchants***      | Dec. 2, 1824        | 500          | 1 parcel                                                                      | 15 455                 |
| William Neilson and son, mer-<br>chants***                | May 1, 1811         | 5,000        | 1 lot                                                                         | 16 13                  |
| Josiah Applegate**                                        | Jan. 23, 1805       | 230          | 1 lot                                                                         | 16 41                  |
| Austin L. Sands***                                        | June 22, 1824       | 3,000        | 1 lot                                                                         | 16 130                 |
| Samuel Stevens, esquire***                                | Dec. 20, 1822       | 1            | 1 lot                                                                         | 16 171                 |
| " " "                                                     | Mar. 3, 1825        | 45           | 1 lot                                                                         | 16 173                 |
| Austin L. Sands***                                        | Mar. 4, 1825        | 100          | 1 parcel                                                                      | 16 175                 |
| Thomas H. Smith***                                        | Mar. 3, 1825        | 1,575        | 4 lots                                                                        | 16 185                 |
| Andrew Morris**                                           | Feb. 14, 1806       | 855          | 7 lots                                                                        | 16 257                 |
| Joseph D. Hallett***                                      | Mar. 3, 1825        | 200          | 1 parcel                                                                      | 16 506                 |
| William Henry****                                         | ....., 1825         | 50           | 1 parcel                                                                      | 17 1                   |
| Robert Bowne, merchant, and<br>William Denning, esquire** | May 17, 1805        | 1,600        | 16 lots                                                                       | 17 8                   |
| Henry Cary, merchant***                                   | Mar. 3, 1825        | 1,275        | 3 parcels                                                                     | 17 224                 |
| " " "                                                     | Apr. 14, 1825       | 4,250        | 1 parcel with the right<br>of wharfage                                        | 17 228                 |
| Jacob Valentine, merchant**                               | July 3, 1804        | 390          | 3 lots                                                                        | 17 266                 |
| Luke Fay****                                              | May 14, 1825        | 50           | 1 strip of land                                                               | 17 270                 |

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| Christopher Colles***                                                 | Aug. 25, 1807       | \$ 150       | 1 lot                                                                                       | 17                     | 473 |
| Robert Morris, merchant**                                             | Feb. 14, 1806       | 720          | 8 lots                                                                                      | 18                     | 32  |
| David Thompson, harbour master**                                      | May 17, 1805        | 900          | 9 lots                                                                                      | 19                     | 32  |
| William H. Rogers****                                                 | Feb. 8, 1826        | 100          | 6 lots and a small parcel                                                                   | 19                     | 104 |
| Joseph Moser****                                                      | Mar. 20, 1826       | 310          | 1 parcel                                                                                    | 19                     | 191 |
| Edward Coope, blacksmith***                                           | Jan. 1, 1814        | 150          | 1 lot                                                                                       | 19                     | 266 |
| “ “ “                                                                 | Mar., 1800          | 75           | 1 lot                                                                                       | 19                     | 280 |
| Samuel Moore**                                                        | July 3, 1804        | 290          | 2 lots                                                                                      | 19                     | 296 |
| John Sutlif***                                                        | Apr. 29, 1800       | £ 60         | 1 lot                                                                                       | 20                     | 7   |
| John Garrison, butcher**                                              | May 24, 1805        | \$ 1,600     | 16 lots                                                                                     | 20                     | 154 |
| Henry Cary***                                                         | July 20, 1826       | 187.50       | 1 parcel                                                                                    | 20                     | 195 |
| Thomas H. Smith***                                                    | “ “ “               | 150          | 1 lot                                                                                       | 21                     | 1   |
| Michael Merritt, flour merchant**                                     | May 17, 1805        | 275          | 5 lots                                                                                      | 21                     | 415 |
| Joseph Moser****                                                      | Apr. 19, 1827       | 100          | 1 lot                                                                                       | 22                     | 10  |
| Isaac Mosier and Joseph Moser***                                      | June 1, 1806        | 750          | 1 lot                                                                                       | 22                     | 12  |
| Thomas March***                                                       | Mar. 27, 1809       | 1,750        | 1 lot                                                                                       | 22                     | 417 |
| Robert Carter, merchant***                                            | Aug. 8, 1816        | 1,236        | 1 parcel subject to a mortgage for \$4,000 given by Joshua Sands to Jerome and George Riker | 22                     | 432 |
| Fanning C. Tucker and Lef-<br>fert Lefferts, merchants***             | Aug. 5, 1813        | 2,025        | 2 lots, subject to mort-<br>gage                                                            | 22                     | 465 |
| John Sullivan*****                                                    | Aug. 20, 1801       | 250          | 1 lot                                                                                       | 22                     | 496 |
| Samuel James, rope-maker***                                           | Oct. 25, 1827       | 250          | 1 lot                                                                                       | 23                     | 142 |
| John Sullivan, merchant**                                             | Feb. 14, 1806       | 440          | 4 lots                                                                                      | 23                     | 196 |
| John H. Morrison***                                                   | May 1, 1808         | 875          | 1 lot                                                                                       | 23                     | 430 |
| Richard Malcom, merchant**                                            | July 3, 1804        | 960          | 6 lots                                                                                      | 23                     | 465 |
| William H. Rogers****                                                 | Feb. 27, 1828       | 25           | 1 lot                                                                                       | 23                     | 493 |
| James Herbert, shoe-maker*****                                        | Apr. 22, 1801       | 362.50       | 1 lot                                                                                       | 24                     | 271 |
| Samuel James***                                                       | Apr. 18, 1828       | 600          | 1 lot                                                                                       | 24                     | 290 |
| George Wells, grocer**                                                | Jan. 23, 1805       | 420          | 3 lots                                                                                      | 25                     | 31  |
| Samuel James***                                                       | Aug., 1828          | 175          | 1 lot                                                                                       | 25                     | 87  |
| John Davis, grocer***                                                 | Sept. 16, 1828      | 750          | 1 lot                                                                                       | 25                     | 167 |
| William H. Jones**                                                    | Feb. 14, 1806       | 255          | 3 lots                                                                                      | 25                     | 395 |
| Joseph Mosier****                                                     | Feb. 29, 1828       | 30           | 1 lot                                                                                       | 25                     | 434 |
| Joseph Moser***                                                       | Aug. 16, 1828       | 500          | 1 lot                                                                                       | 25                     | 472 |
| Samuel Stevens***                                                     | Jan. 29, 1829       | 1,200        | 1 lot leased to John Davis for ten years from Oct. 1, 1828                                  | 26                     | 42  |
| Samuel P. M. Sands***                                                 | Jan. 1, 1829        | 5            | and “for and in consid-<br>eration of natural<br>love and affection”<br>1 lot               | 26                     | 71  |
| Heirs of John Harmer****                                              | Mar. 4, 1829        | 16.67        | a strip of land                                                                             | 26                     | 139 |
| Richard Stanton****                                                   | “ “ “               | 33.33        | 1 parcel                                                                                    | 26                     | 145 |
| Ann Thompson, Elizabeth Un-<br>derhill, and Samuel M.<br>Thompson**** | “ “ “               | 50           | 1 parcel                                                                                    | 26                     | 146 |

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| Andrew McCready, shoe-maker**      | June 7, 1805        | \$ 122       | 2 lots                                                                                                                           | 26                     | 190 |
| David Tallman***                   | July 20, 1826       | 300          | 2 lots                                                                                                                           | 26                     | 237 |
| John W. Degraw****                 | June 17, 1829       | 50           | 1 lot                                                                                                                            | 26                     | 478 |
| Methodist Episcopal Church***      | Nov. 21, 1808       | 5            | "as well as for other good considerations and purposes"                                                                          |                        |     |
|                                    |                     |              | 1 lot                                                                                                                            | 27                     | 49  |
| James Hérbert***                   | Sept. 1, 1800       | 375          | 1 lot                                                                                                                            | 27                     | 307 |
| Samuel James***                    | Dec. 24, 1829       | 1,500        | sundry lots                                                                                                                      | 27                     | 449 |
| Julia Maria Sands****              | May 10, 1826        | 1            | 1 lot leased to Lambert Moore for 42 years from May 1, 1795                                                                      | 27                     | 494 |
| " " " "                            | Apr. 10, 1829       | 1            | and "for and in consideration of the love and affection which he hath and bears toward his daughter"                             |                        |     |
|                                    |                     |              | a block of land                                                                                                                  | 27                     | 495 |
| The Village of Brooklyn***         | Sept. 17, 1829      | 1            | 2 parcels                                                                                                                        | 28                     | 2   |
| Julia Maria Sands****              | Dec. 15, 1828       | 1            | 4 blocks of land                                                                                                                 | 28                     | 33  |
| " " " "                            | Aug. 12, 1828       | 1            | 2 blocks                                                                                                                         | 28                     | 34  |
| Andrew Mercein****                 | Apr. 19, 1827       | 150          | 1 lot                                                                                                                            | 28                     | 95  |
| James Faulkner, distiller***       | Apr. 1, 1829        | 400          | 1 parcel                                                                                                                         | 28                     | 105 |
| " " " "                            | Dec. 24, 1828       | 750          | 1 parcel                                                                                                                         | 28                     | 107 |
| Charles H. Richards***             | Mar. 4, 1830        | 1,500        | 1 parcel                                                                                                                         | 28                     | 166 |
| James Faulkner***                  | June 17, 1830       | 750          | 1 parcel                                                                                                                         | 28                     | 474 |
| Joseph Moser***                    | June 23, 1830       | 500          | 1 parcel                                                                                                                         | 29                     | 5   |
| Clarence D. Sackett***             | June 8, 1830        | 100          | 1 parcel                                                                                                                         | 29                     | 89  |
| Samuel B. M. Sands***              | May 8, 1830         | 2,000        | sundry lots                                                                                                                      | 29                     | 284 |
| " " " " "                          | Nov. 18, 1830       | 2,500        | 10 lots subject to a mortgage dated July 28, 1830 executed to the Brooklyn Fire Insurance Company to secure the payment of \$500 | 29                     | 340 |
| John Ferris, blind maker****       | Feb. 16, 1831       | 20           | 1 parcel                                                                                                                         | 30                     | 70  |
| Samuel and Alexander H. Stevens*** | Feb. 9, 1831        | 1,000        | 4 lots                                                                                                                           | 30                     | 74  |
| Joseph Ferris, blind maker****     | Mar. 1, 1831        | 75           | 1 parcel                                                                                                                         | 30                     | 140 |
| Whitehead Howard***                | Mar. 26, 1831       | 400          | 1 parcel                                                                                                                         | 30                     | 199 |
| Thomas Appleby junior****          | Apr. 10, 1829       | 800          | 1 lot                                                                                                                            | 30                     | 413 |
| John Fisher, esquire****           | Dec. 6, 1800        | 2,875        | 1 lot with the privilege of a gangway                                                                                            | 31                     | 115 |
| " " " "                            | Mar. 28, 1800       | 1,750        | 2 lots                                                                                                                           | 31                     | 118 |
| Samuel B. M. Sands***              | Sept. 5, 1831       | 1            | and in consideration of the trusts and conditions mentioned in the conveyance                                                    |                        |     |
|                                    |                     |              | 47 lots                                                                                                                          | 31                     | 367 |

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| Clarence D. Sackett and James Faulkner***                         | Oct. 6, 1831        | \$ 1         | 1 parcel                                                                                  | 31                     | 436 |
| Adam Tredwell****                                                 | May 6, 1829         | 50           | an alley strip of land                                                                    | 32                     | 196 |
| James Degraw***                                                   | May 1, 1805         | 187.50       | 1 lot                                                                                     | 32                     | 248 |
| Walter Nichols***                                                 | May 9, 1828         | 625          | 1 parcel                                                                                  | 32                     | 456 |
| Samuel Stevens***                                                 | Jan. 1, 1805        | 5            | 1 parcel                                                                                  | 33                     | 178 |
| William Cort, merchant**                                          | July 3, 1804        | 675          | 5 lots                                                                                    | 33                     | 205 |
| Samuel Osborn, physician****                                      | Jan. 20, 1826       | 200          | 1 parcel                                                                                  | 33                     | 271 |
| “ “ “                                                             | May 23, 1825        | 1            | title to all the streets and alleys which join to and front upon lots belonging to Osborn | 33                     | 273 |
| John F. Garrison***                                               | July 14, 1832       | 300          | 1 parcel                                                                                  | 34                     | 16  |
| James Herbert***                                                  | Apr. 10, 1800       | £ 150.       | 1 lot                                                                                     | 34                     | 183 |
| Henry Scudder Lewis, farmer**                                     | Dec. 5, 1804        | \$ 495       | 2 lots                                                                                    | 34                     | 339 |
| Sidney B. Whitlock***                                             | Feb. 20, 1833       | 447          | sundry lots                                                                               | 35                     | 141 |
| Thomas Frazier***                                                 | Feb. 23, 1833       | 1,925        | 5 lots                                                                                    | 35                     | 151 |
| Clarence D. Sackett***                                            | Feb. 22, 1833       | 1,775        | sundry lots                                                                               | 35                     | 159 |
| Joshua R. Sands***                                                | Nov. 14, 1832       | 500          | 1 parcel                                                                                  | 35                     | 312 |
| John Doughty***                                                   | May 1, 1806         | 437.50       | 1 lot                                                                                     | 36                     | 140 |
| William Forbush***                                                | June 17, 1833       | 275          | 1 lot                                                                                     | 36                     | 385 |
| Robert Morris**                                                   | June 7, 1805        | 800          | 8 lots                                                                                    | 36                     | 387 |
| Tunis C. Dykeman***                                               | July 1, 1833        | 550          | 2 lots                                                                                    | 36                     | 439 |
| Village of Brooklyn***                                            | Oct. 11, 1833       | 1            | strip of land                                                                             | 37                     | 421 |
| Frances Sands****                                                 | Feb. 27, 1833       | 1            | 6 lots                                                                                    | 38                     | 37  |
| Amasa Wright, gentleman***                                        | Nov. 1, 1833        | 1,800        | 4 lots                                                                                    | 38                     | 45  |
| Palmer Buckbee, grocer**                                          | Dec. 5, 1804        | 600          | 3 lots                                                                                    | 39                     | 81  |
| “ “ *****                                                         | May 30, 1801        | 250          | 1 lot                                                                                     | 39                     | 84  |
| Samuel B. M. Sands***                                             | Jan. 9, 1834        | 1,000        | 1 parcel                                                                                  | 39                     | 151 |
| Joseph Moser***                                                   | Nov. 6, 1810        | 750          | 1 lot                                                                                     | 40                     | 64  |
| William M. Stewart, tailor*****                                   | Dec. 6, 1800        | 600          | 1 lot                                                                                     | 40                     | 376 |
| Joshua Sands****                                                  | Nov. 9, 1797        | 1            | sundry lots                                                                               | 40                     | 440 |
| Jacob Barker, merchant**                                          | July 3, 1804        | 1,560        | 5 lots                                                                                    | 41                     | 130 |
| Samuel Shotwell***                                                | June 4, 1834        | 300          | 1 lot                                                                                     | 41                     | 181 |
| Elisha L. Haley, builder***                                       | June 23, 1834       | 1            | 1 lot                                                                                     | 41                     | 316 |
| John and Crawford C. Smith***                                     | June 27, 1834       | 1,800        | 4 lots                                                                                    | 41                     | 332 |
| Joseph Moser***                                                   | July 25, 1834       | 325          | 1 lot                                                                                     | 41                     | 430 |
| William M. Sands***                                               | July 30, 1834       | 500          | 1 parcel                                                                                  | 41                     | 446 |
| Joseph Moser***                                                   | Oct. 3, 1834        | 100          | 1 lot                                                                                     | 44                     | 145 |
| Palmer Buckbee, grocer*****                                       | Mar. 18, 1802       | 600          | 3 lots                                                                                    | 45                     | 171 |
| William H. Philpitt and Thomas Clark***                           | Jan. 13, 1835       | 2,730        | 6 lots                                                                                    | 45                     | 323 |
| John Cornel, Robert Hodge, William Cornwell (and Joshua Sands)*** | May 1, 1810         | 1,250        | 1 parcel                                                                                  | 46                     | 448 |
| Joseph Deforest***                                                | Mar. 18, 1835       | 10           | 1 lot with the privilege of an alley                                                      | 47                     | 287 |
| George L. Thatcher***                                             | Feb. 10, 1835       | 1            | 1 parcel                                                                                  | 49                     | 320 |
| Harriet A. Sands***                                               | Oct. 3, 1834        | 10           | sundry lots                                                                               | 53                     | 396 |
| Village of Brooklyn***                                            | Aug. 30, 1833       | 10           | two parcels                                                                               | 54                     | 454 |
| “ “ “ “                                                           | Sept. 5, 1833       | 10           | 1½ lots                                                                                   | 54                     | 455 |



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| <i>Purchaser (cont.)</i>                           | <i>Date of Sale</i> | <i>Price</i> | <i>Description</i>                                   | <i>Lib. &amp; Page</i> |     |
|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|-----|
| Harriet Sands***                                   | Jan. 31, 1829       | \$ 5         | 1 parcel                                             | 55                     | 471 |
| Fanning C. Tucker****                              | June 13, 1831       | 275          | strip of land                                        | 59                     | 307 |
| John Mortimer*** (executors)                       | Aug. 3, 1836        | 285          | 3 lots                                               | 68                     | 220 |
| Austin L. Sands***                                 |                     | 500          | plot of land with the right of crainage and wharfage | 77                     | 26  |
| Johnson Leake***                                   | Mar. 8, 1838        | 277.50       | 1 lot                                                | 78                     | 175 |
| John Cornelison***                                 | May 1, 1807         | 250          | 1 lot                                                | 94                     | 137 |
| Mayor, Alderman and Commonalty of New York City*** | June 10, 1805       | 1            | 1 lot with the use of an alley                       | 530                    | 447 |

## Appendix 4. The Liquidation of Claims Against and in Behalf of Loyalist Estates

### A. THE LIQUIDATION OF CLAIMS AGAINST LOYALIST ESTATES<sup>1</sup>

| <i>Creditor</i>                                                                                                         | <i>Estate of</i> | <i>Amount Certified<br/>As Due</i> | <i>Amount Paid</i> |
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| Samuel Fraunces                                                                                                         | William Bayard   | £ 23 13s. 9d.                      | £                  |
| Benjamin Douglass                                                                                                       | " "              | 22 10s. 1d.                        |                    |
| Hugh Gaine, printer                                                                                                     | " "              | 44 17s. 2d.                        |                    |
| Edward and William<br>Laight                                                                                            | " "              | 11 11s. 6d.                        | 11 11s. 6d.        |
| John Moore, bricklayer                                                                                                  | " "              | 68 4s. 5d.                         | 68 4s. 5d.         |
| Nicholas Bayard                                                                                                         | " "              | 46 4s.                             | 46 4s.             |
| Gerardus Duyckinck                                                                                                      | " "              | 16 9s. 10d.                        | 16 9s. 10d.        |
| James Duane                                                                                                             | " "              | 970 19s. 8d.                       | 970 19s. 8d.       |
| Thomas Goldtrap                                                                                                         | " "              | 268 0s. 1d.                        | 268 0s. 1d.        |
| Adolph Waldron                                                                                                          | " "              | 3 16s. 4d.                         | 3 16s. 4d.         |
| Assignees of Elizabeth and<br>Grove Bend                                                                                | " "              | 402 1s. 4d.                        | 402 1s. 4d.        |
| Teunis Somerindyck,<br>executor of Altie<br>Covenhoven                                                                  | " "              | 1,922 0s. 0d.                      | 1,922 0s. 0d.      |
| Isaac Van Vleck, executor<br>of Henry Van Vleck                                                                         | " "              | 18 6s. 4d.                         | 18 6s. 4d.         |
| Peter T. Curtenius                                                                                                      | " "              | 14 0s. 2¼d.                        | 14 0s. 2¼d.        |
| Francis Panton, executor<br>of Samuel Deale                                                                             | " "              | 10 10s. 6d.                        | 10 10s. 6d.        |
| Peter T. Curtenius, sur-<br>viving partner of the<br>firm of Richard Sharpe,<br>Peter T. Curtenius, and<br>William Lyle | " "              | 10 16s. 4¼d.                       | 10 16s. 4¼d.       |
| Thomas Greswold                                                                                                         | " "              | 10 5s. 2¾d.                        | 10 5s. 2¾d.        |
| Thomas Stevenson                                                                                                        | " "              | 76 12s. 3d.                        | 76 12s. 3d.        |
| Thomas Tom, merchant                                                                                                    | " "              | 119 18s. 2d.                       |                    |
| Thomas Smith, esquire                                                                                                   | " "              | 1,206 0s. 0d.                      | 1,206 0s. 0d.      |
| Executors of John Ganse-<br>voort                                                                                       | " "              | 985 8s.                            | 985 8s.            |
| Isaac Corsa and Joseph<br>Bull                                                                                          | " "              | 7 5s.                              | 7 5s.              |
| Charles McEvers, executor<br>of James McEvers                                                                           | " "              | 66 2s. 3d.                         | 66 2s. 3d.         |
| Jochem J. Staats                                                                                                        | " "              | 23 7s. 7d.                         | 23 7s. 7d.         |
| John Charleton, executor<br>of Richard Charleton                                                                        | " "              | 1,000 0s. 0d.                      |                    |

1. Volumes 45 and 46 of the *Manuscripts of the Colony and State of New York in the Revolutionary War* contain numerous records of the examination and certification of claims against the estates of loyalists from the Southern District of the State. The material cited here is drawn from these records. The author has cited the amount paid in each case where the creditors' receipts were on record. No doubt, there were many more claims liquidated. The Capitol fire of 1911 consumed many records bearing on this subject, and some are burned so badly that it was impossible to decipher them.

| <i>Creditor (cont.)</i>                                                                                                                                    | <i>Estate of</i> | <i>Amount Certified<br/>As Due</i>                                                                                                             | <i>Amount Paid</i>                                                                                                                                                          |
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| Theophilact Bache                                                                                                                                          | William Bayard   | £ 188 1s.                                                                                                                                      | £ 188 1s.                                                                                                                                                                   |
| William Walton                                                                                                                                             | " "              | 54 1s.                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Thomas Gregg, Waddell<br>Cunningham, Hamilton<br>Young, and Robert Ross<br>Waddell, copartners in<br>trade under the firm of<br>Gregg, Cunningham &<br>Co. | " "              | Auditors designated by<br>Judge John Sloss<br>Hobart reported<br>that £54 1s. were<br>due this firm from<br>the estate of Wil-<br>liam Bayard. | Judge Hobart rejected<br>the report of the<br>auditors on the ground<br>that Gregg and Cun-<br>ningham "were not in-<br>habitants" of New<br>York State on July 9,<br>1776. |
| Lawrence Kortright                                                                                                                                         | " "              | 54 1s.                                                                                                                                         | 54 1s.                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Gerard Walton, executor<br>of Jacob Walton                                                                                                                 | " "              | 54 1s.                                                                                                                                         | 54 1s.                                                                                                                                                                      |
| John and Thomas Jones                                                                                                                                      | Robert Bayard    | 198 14s. 11d.                                                                                                                                  | 198 14s. 11d.                                                                                                                                                               |
| Stephen Steele, coach-<br>maker                                                                                                                            | " "              | 38 15s. 9d.                                                                                                                                    | 38 15s. 9d.                                                                                                                                                                 |
| John Van Cortlandt jun-<br>ior, executor of John<br>Van Cortlandt                                                                                          | James DeLancey   | 107 11s. 3½d.                                                                                                                                  | 107 11s. 3½d.                                                                                                                                                               |
| Sarah Van Solingen,<br>executrix of Godardus<br>Van Solingen, physician                                                                                    | " "              | 53 5s. 10d.                                                                                                                                    | 53 5s. 10d.                                                                                                                                                                 |
| William Walton, executor<br>of Ann DeLancey,<br>widow of Lieutenant-<br>Governor James De-<br>Lancey                                                       | " "              | 7,899 14s. 1¼d.                                                                                                                                | 7,899 14s. 1¼d.                                                                                                                                                             |
| James Duane                                                                                                                                                | " "              | 346 16s. 2d.                                                                                                                                   | 346 16s. 2d.                                                                                                                                                                |
| Brockholst Livingston, "as<br>treasurer of the Trus-<br>tees of Columbia Col-<br>lege"                                                                     | " "              | 3,066                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Joseph Klein, administra-<br>tor of estate of John<br>Klein, baker                                                                                         | " "              | 194 9s. 9d.                                                                                                                                    | 194 9s. 9d.                                                                                                                                                                 |
| John Leake, gentleman<br>(Leake based his claim<br>on a bond executed<br>to him by James De-<br>Lancey and one George<br>Etherington)                      | " "              | 355 15s. 8d.<br>60 14s. 7¾d.                                                                                                                   | 355 15s. 8d.<br>60 14s. 7¾d.                                                                                                                                                |
| Francis Groome, merchant                                                                                                                                   | Oliver DeLancey  |                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                             |
| John Van Cortlandt jun-<br>ior, executor of John<br>Van Cortlandt                                                                                          | " "              | 56 10s. 6d.                                                                                                                                    | 56 10s. 6d.                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Samuel Fraunces                                                                                                                                            | " "              | 47 10s.                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Jacob Morton, executor<br>of John Morton, mer-<br>chant                                                                                                    | " "              | 12 19s.                                                                                                                                        | 12 19s.                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Peter T. Curtenius, sur-<br>viving partner of the<br>copartnership of Rich-<br>ard Sharpe, Peter T.<br>Curtenius, and William<br>Lyle                      | " "              | 64 15s. 7d.                                                                                                                                    | 64 15s. 7d.                                                                                                                                                                 |

| <i>Creditor (cont.)</i>                                                                                 | <i>Estate of</i> | <i>Amount Certified<br/>As Due</i> | <i>Amount Paid</i>                                                                                                                                                          |
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| Manuel Myers, Solomon<br>Simson, and Solomon<br>Myers Cohen, owners<br>of a Spermaceti Works            | Oliver DeLancey  | £ 12 11s. 1d.                      | £ 12 11s. 1d.                                                                                                                                                               |
| Francis Panton, executor<br>of Samuel Deale                                                             | " "              | 203 18s. 9d.                       | 203 18s. 9d.                                                                                                                                                                |
| Richard Kip junior                                                                                      | " "              | 24 17s. 8d.                        | 24 17s. 8d.                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Richard Kip senior                                                                                      | " "              | 12 0s. 4d.                         | 12 0s. 4d.                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Edward and William<br>Laight                                                                            | " "              | 4 13s. 10d.                        | 4 13s. 10d.                                                                                                                                                                 |
| James Duane                                                                                             | " "              | 123 10s.                           | 123 10s.                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Isaac Corsa and Joseph<br>Bull                                                                          | " "              | 2 10s                              | 2 10s                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Daniel Phoenix, Benjamin<br>S. Judah, and James<br>Beekman, assignees of<br>Elizabeth and Grove<br>Bend | " "              | 470 8s. 9½d.                       |                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Peter Silvester                                                                                         | " "              | 10                                 |                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Charles McEvers, executor<br>of James McEvers                                                           | " "              | 91 1s. 4d.                         | 91 1s. 4d.                                                                                                                                                                  |
| David Johnson, esquire of<br>Dutchess County                                                            | " "              | 1,380 4s. 4d.                      | 1,380 4s. 4d.                                                                                                                                                               |
| Richard Kip junior                                                                                      | Thomas Jones     | 7 15s. 4¾d.                        | 7 15s. 4¾d.                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Stephen Steele, coach-<br>maker                                                                         | " "              | 17 10s. 8d.                        | 17 10s. 8d.                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Jacob Morton, executor<br>of John Morton                                                                | " "              | 4 10s. 3¾d.                        |                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Peter T. Curtenius, of<br>the copartnership of<br>Sharpe, Curtenius, and<br>Lyle                        | " "              | 30 16s. 8¾d.                       | 30 16s. 8¾d.                                                                                                                                                                |
| William Post                                                                                            | " "              | 21 1s. 5d.                         | 21 1s. 5d.                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Benjamin Birdsall                                                                                       | " "              | 779 16s.                           | 779 16s.                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Joseph Bull, executor of<br>William Sutton                                                              | " "              | 32 3s. 6½d.                        | 32 3s. 6½d.                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Manuel Myers, Solomon<br>Simson, and Solomon Myers<br>Cohen                                             | " "              | 10 19s. 10¾d.                      | 10 19s. 10¾d.                                                                                                                                                               |
| Gerardus Duyckinck                                                                                      | " "              | 3 16s. 10½d.                       | 3 16s. 10½d.                                                                                                                                                                |
| James Duane                                                                                             | " "              | 51 6s. 6d.                         | 51 6s. 6d.                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Augustus Van Cortlandt                                                                                  | " "              | 91 15s. 9d.                        |                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Adam Gilchrist                                                                                          | " "              | 9 5s. 11½d.                        | 9 5s. 11½d.                                                                                                                                                                 |
| John and Thomas Jones                                                                                   | " "              | 27 19s. 10d.                       | 27 19s. 10d.                                                                                                                                                                |
| John Alsop, merchant                                                                                    | David Matthews   | 672 2s.                            |                                                                                                                                                                             |
| John and Thomas Jones                                                                                   | " "              | 372 15s. 5d.                       | 11 17s. 1d.<br>as their "dividend of the<br>estate of David Mat-<br>thews for the demand<br>within certified."<br>1 11s. 1d.<br>as his dividend.<br>6 5s. 7d.<br>(dividend) |
| James Abceel, merchant                                                                                  | " "              | 51 5s. 9d.                         |                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Francis Groome                                                                                          | " "              | 206 16s. 5½d.                      |                                                                                                                                                                             |

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| Adolph Waldron                                                                                                                                             | David Matthews   | £ 20 7s. 9d.                       | £                       |
| Evert Byvanck, one of<br>the copartners of the<br>company of Garret<br>Abeel and Evert By-<br>vanck                                                        | " "              | 8 0s. 9½d.                         |                         |
| Stephen Steele                                                                                                                                             | " "              | 39 9s. 7d.                         | 1 5s. 6d.<br>(dividend) |
| Jesse Woodhull                                                                                                                                             | " "              | 529 5s.                            |                         |
| Thomas and Catherine<br>Arden, executors of<br>Jacob Arden                                                                                                 | " "              | 10 14s. 8d.                        |                         |
| Jacob Morton, executor of<br>John Morton                                                                                                                   | Isaac Low        | 20 2s.                             | 20 2s.                  |
| Charles Crommelin                                                                                                                                          | " "              | 708                                | 708                     |
| John Bleecker, executor<br>of Margaret Ten Eyck                                                                                                            | " "              | 2,113 8s. 6½d.                     | 2,113 8s. 6½d.          |
| John Glen                                                                                                                                                  | " "              | 247 17s. 4¼d.                      | 247 17s. 4¼d.           |
| " "                                                                                                                                                        | " "              | 271 13s. ¼d.(?)                    |                         |
| John and Thomas Jones                                                                                                                                      | " "              | 34 19s. 8d.                        | 34 19s. 8d.             |
| Daniel Ludlow                                                                                                                                              | " "              | 125 12s. 8¾d.                      | 125 12s. 8¾d.           |
| Elizabeth Moone, widow                                                                                                                                     | " "              | 66 10s. 10d.                       | 66 10s. 10d.            |
| Patrick McDavitt,<br>merchant                                                                                                                              | " "              | 107 12s. 1¾d.                      | 107 12s. 1¾d.           |
| Peter D. Van Dyck, ad-<br>ministrator of Henry<br>Van Dyck                                                                                                 | " "              | 329 19s. 11d.                      | 329 19s. 11d.           |
| Robert Gilbert Livingston                                                                                                                                  | " "              | 107 12s. 1¾d.                      | 107 12s. 1¾d.           |
| Peter T. Curtenius, of<br>the copartnership of<br>Sharpe, Curtenius, and<br>Lyle                                                                           | " "              | 32 9s. 5d.                         | 32 9s. 5d.              |
| Abraham Walton, mer-<br>chant                                                                                                                              | " "              | 77 13s. 7d.                        | 77 13s. 7d.             |
| Executors of Margaret<br>Schuyler                                                                                                                          | " "              | 1,283 12s. 7d.                     | 1,283 12s. 7d.          |
| " " "                                                                                                                                                      | " "              | 114 17s. 1¾d.                      | 114 17s. 1¾d.           |
| John Jones, physician                                                                                                                                      | " "              | 1,398 4s. 11d.                     |                         |
| James Duane                                                                                                                                                | " "              | 41 9s. 7½d.                        | 41 9s. 7½d.             |
| Theophilact Bache                                                                                                                                          | " "              | 241 3s. 2d.                        | 241 3s. 2d.             |
| William Walton                                                                                                                                             | " "              | 107 3s. 2d.                        |                         |
| Lawrence Kortright                                                                                                                                         | " "              | 107 3s. 2d.                        | 107 3s. 2d.             |
| Gerard Walton, executor<br>of Jacob Walton                                                                                                                 | " "              | 107 3s. 2d.                        | 107 3s. 2d.             |
| Thomas Gregg, Waddell<br>Cunningham, Hamilton<br>Young, and Robert Ross<br>Waddell, copartners in<br>trade under the firm of<br>Gregg, Cunningham &<br>Co. | " "              |                                    |                         |

Auditors reported  
that the sum of  
£107 3s. 2d. was  
due this firm from



| <i>Creditor (cont.)</i>                                                            | <i>Estate of</i>  | <i>Amount Certified<br/>As Due</i>                                                  | <i>Amount Paid</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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|                                                                                    |                   | Low's estate.<br>Judge Hobart re-<br>jected this report<br>(see William<br>Bayard). |                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Gabriel H. Ludlow                                                                  | Beverley Robinson | £ 326 17s. 6d.                                                                      | £ 326 17s. 6d.                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Jonathan Mallet                                                                    | " "               | 1,351 15s. 7d.                                                                      | 1,351 15s. 7d.                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Frederick Van Cortlandt                                                            | " "               | 1,190 6s. 8d.                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| James Debrosses, executor<br>of Elias Debrosses                                    | " "               | 3,957 3s. 9d.                                                                       | 3,957 3s. 9d.                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Brockholst Livingston,<br>"as Treasurer of the<br>Trustees of Columbia<br>College" | " "               | 1,218 17s. 1½d.                                                                     | 1,416 18s. 5d.<br>The additional £198 1s.<br>3½d. constituted the<br>interest on the money<br>certified as due, from<br>the date of certifica-<br>tion (Nov. 15, 1790)<br>until the date of pay-<br>ment (July 29, 1793). |
| Anthony Van Dam                                                                    | " "               | 32 1s. 4¾d.                                                                         | 32 1s. 4¾d.                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Simon B. Reeve                                                                     | Roger Morris      | 21 3s. 1d.                                                                          | 21 3s. 1d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| John and Thomas Jones                                                              | " "               | 76 5s. 9d.                                                                          | 76 5s. 9d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Peter T. Curtenius, of<br>the copartnership of<br>Sharpe, Curtenius, and<br>Lyle   | " "               | 5 14s. 4½d.                                                                         | 5 14s. 4½d.                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Adam Gilchrist                                                                     | " "               | 160 5s. 1d.                                                                         | 160 5s. 1d.                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| John Arthur                                                                        | " "               | 21 5s. 1½d.                                                                         | 21 5s. 1½d.                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Peter Goelet                                                                       | " "               | 36 4s. 1d.                                                                          | 36 4s. 1d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Assignees of Grove and<br>Elizabeth Bend                                           | " "               | 138 15s. 0¼d.                                                                       | 138 15s. 0¼d.                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Ann Wyburn and Cath-<br>erine Manney, execu-<br>trices of Catherine<br>Jandine     | " "               | 96 19s.                                                                             | 96 19s.                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| James Duane                                                                        | " "               | 176 9s. 7d.                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Charles McEvers, executor<br>of John McEvers                                       | " "               | 34 4s. 6d.                                                                          | 34 4s. 6d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Evert Byvanck, of the<br>firm of "Abeel &<br>Byvanck"                              | James Jauncey     | 9 7s. 3¾d.                                                                          | 9 7s. 3¾d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Isaac Van Vleck, executor<br>of Henry Van Vleck                                    | " "               | 100 8s. 4½d.                                                                        | 100 8s. 4½d.                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| William Allen                                                                      | Henry White       | 11 13s. 10d.                                                                        | 11 13s. 10d.                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Cornelius Van Santfort                                                             | " "               | 20 5s. 3d.                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Hamilton Young, of the<br>firm of Gregg, Cun-<br>ningham & Co.                     | " "               | 291 16s. 4½d.                                                                       | The Legislature directed<br>that Young be paid<br>£169 8s. ½d. on his<br>claim (which was the                                                                                                                             |

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|                                                                           |                               |                                    | sum due him, minus<br>the interest allowed<br>him by Judge Morris).<br>When it was learned<br>that Henry White's son<br>had discharged this<br>debt "out of his own<br>monies," the Treasurer<br>was directed to pay<br>this sum to the latter<br>( <i>Laws</i> , 13th sess., ch.<br>52, Apr. 6, 1790; 14th<br>sess., ch. 23, Mar. 8,<br>1791). |
| Isaac Van Vleck, executor<br>of Henry Van Vleck                           | Henry White                   | £ 317 2s. 8d.                      | £ 317 2s. 8d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| James Duane                                                               | " "                           | 42 15s.                            | 42 15s.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Charles McEvers, executor<br>of James McEvers                             | " "                           | 50 9s. 8d.                         | 50 9s. 8d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Stephen Steele                                                            | Thomas White                  | 26 15s. 4d.                        | 26 15s. 4d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| James Duane                                                               | " "                           | 113 12s.                           | 113 12s.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Isaac Van Vleck, executor<br>of Henry Van Vleck                           | Hugh and Alexander<br>Wallace | 20 10s. 5½d.                       | 20 10s. 5½d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Daniel Ludlow                                                             | Hugh Wallace                  | 125 12s. 8¾d.                      | 125 12s. 8¾d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| John and Thomas Jones                                                     | " "                           | 34 15s.                            | 34 15s.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Adolph Waldron                                                            | " "                           | 3 18s. 1¾d.                        | 3 18s. 1¾d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Theophilact Bache                                                         | " "                           | 134                                | 134                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| James Duane                                                               | " "                           | 205 7s. 2½d.                       | 205 7s. 2½d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| William Proctor                                                           | " "                           | 40 7s. 3d.                         | 40 7s. 3d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Robert Gilbert Livingston                                                 | " "                           | 107 12s. 1¼d.                      | 107 12s. 1¼d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Patrick McDavitt                                                          | " "                           | 107 12s. 1¾d.                      | 107 12s. 1¾d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Adolph Waldron                                                            | Alexander Wallace             | 6 15s. 8d.                         | 6 15s. 8d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Robert Gilbert Livingston                                                 | " "                           | 223 2s. 6d.                        | 223 2s. 6d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Jacob Morton, executor<br>of John Morton                                  | " "                           | 5 9s. 7d.                          | 5 9s. 7d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Samuel Bayard                                                             | John Weatherhead              | 52 15s. 5½d.                       | 22 16s. 6d.<br>(dividend)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Assignees of Grove and<br>Elizabeth Bend                                  | " "                           | 398 13s. 7¼d.                      | 172 10s. 8d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| John and Thomas Jones                                                     | " "                           | 151 18s.                           | 65 14s. 8d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Francis Panton, executor<br>of Samuel Deale                               | " "                           | 8 14s. 6¼d.                        | 5 2s. 1d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Lewis Pintard, merchant                                                   | " "                           | 89 11s. 8d.                        | 56 1s. 4d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Isaac Van Vleck, executor<br>of Henry Van Vleck                           | " "                           | 241 11s. 9½d.                      | 104 11s.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Catherine Livingston, ad-<br>ministratrix of estate of<br>John Livingston | " "                           | 226 11s. 5½d.                      | 98 1s.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Peter Goelet, merchant                                                    | " "                           | 16 8s. 5d.                         | 7 2s. 1d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| William Cockburn, sur-<br>veyor                                           | " "                           | 340 13s. 9½d.                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Samuel Bayard                                                             | John Tabor Kempe              | 35 17s. 8d.                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Richard Morris, esq.                                                      | " " "                         | 83 11s. 8¾d.                       | 83 11s. 8¾d.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

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| James Duane                                                                                                                                             | John Tabor Kempe   | £ 74 12s. 9d.                                                                                                                                                                    | £ 74 12s. 9d.      |
| John and Thomas Jones                                                                                                                                   | " " "              | 12 4s. 9d.                                                                                                                                                                       | 12 4s. 9d.         |
| Francis Panton, executor<br>of Samuel Deale                                                                                                             | " " "              | 35 13s. 10¾d.                                                                                                                                                                    | 35 13s. 10¾d.      |
| Jacob Morton, executor<br>of James Morton                                                                                                               | John Harris Cruger | 22 3s. 7d.                                                                                                                                                                       | 22 3s. 7d.         |
| Francis Panton, executor<br>of Samuel Deale                                                                                                             | " " "              | 3 2s. 6¼d.                                                                                                                                                                       | 3 2s. 6¼d.         |
| Cornelius C. Roosevelt,<br>attorney for the estate<br>of Henry Holland                                                                                  | " " "              | 81 11s. 3d.                                                                                                                                                                      | 81 11s. 3d.        |
| Theophilact Bache                                                                                                                                       | " " "              | 113 10s. 6d.                                                                                                                                                                     | 113 10s. 6d.       |
| William Walton                                                                                                                                          | " " "              | 113 10s. 6d.                                                                                                                                                                     |                    |
| Lawrence Kortright                                                                                                                                      | " " "              | 113 10s. 6d.                                                                                                                                                                     | 113 10s. 6d.       |
| Gerard Walton, executor<br>of Jacob Walton                                                                                                              | " " "              | 113 10s. 6d.                                                                                                                                                                     | 113 10s. 6d.       |
| Thomas Gregg, Waddell<br>Cunningham, Hamilton<br>Young, and Robert Ross<br>Waddell, copartners in<br>trade under the firm<br>Gregg, Cunningham &<br>Co. | " " "              | Auditors reported<br>that £113 10s. 6d.<br>were due this firm<br>from Cruger's es-<br>tate. But Justice<br>Hobart refused to<br>accept this report<br>(see William Ba-<br>yard). |                    |
| John and Thomas Jones                                                                                                                                   | John Watts         |                                                                                                                                                                                  | 18 14s.            |
| Assignees of Grove and<br>Elizabeth Bend                                                                                                                | " "                | 17 13s. 4d.                                                                                                                                                                      | 17 13s. 4d.        |
| Stephen Steele                                                                                                                                          | " "                | 29 17s. 6d.                                                                                                                                                                      |                    |
| Jacob Morton, executor<br>of John Morton                                                                                                                | " "                | 9 16s. 5d.                                                                                                                                                                       | 9 16s. 5d.         |
| Adolph Waldron                                                                                                                                          | William Axtell     | 7 6s. 3d.                                                                                                                                                                        | 7 6s. 3d.          |
| Peter Goelet                                                                                                                                            | " "                | 4 7s. 10½d.                                                                                                                                                                      | 4 7s. 10½d.        |
| Anthony Van Dam                                                                                                                                         | " "                | 8 15s. 4½d.                                                                                                                                                                      | 8 15s. 4½d.        |
| William Allen                                                                                                                                           | George Folliot     | 11 5s. 10¾d.                                                                                                                                                                     | 11 5s. 10¾d.       |
| William Keese                                                                                                                                           | " "                | 32 14s. 9d.                                                                                                                                                                      | 32 14s. 9d.        |
| Peter T. Curtenius, of the<br>firm of Sharpe, Cur-<br>tenius, and Lyle                                                                                  | " "                | 13 1s. 9d.                                                                                                                                                                       | 13 1s. 9d.         |
| John and Thomas Jones                                                                                                                                   | " "                | 13 5s. 11d.                                                                                                                                                                      | 13 5s. 11d.        |
| James Duane                                                                                                                                             | " "                | 6 7d.                                                                                                                                                                            | 6 7s.              |
| Abraham Lott, surviving<br>copartner of William<br>Kelly & Co. of London                                                                                | Waldron Blauw      | 124 4s. 7d.                                                                                                                                                                      | 124 4s. 7d.        |
| John B. Dumond                                                                                                                                          | " "                | 19 8s. 8½d.                                                                                                                                                                      | 19 8s. 8½d.        |
| John and Thomas Jones                                                                                                                                   | " "                | 37 0s. 10d.                                                                                                                                                                      | 37 0s. 10d.        |
| Evert Byvanck, of the<br>firm of Abeel & By-<br>vanck                                                                                                   | " "                | 30 1s.                                                                                                                                                                           | 30 1s.             |

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| Jacobus Van Zandt                                            | Waldron Blauw          | £ 154 16s. 9d.                     | £ 154 16s. 9d.            |
| James and Magdalen Desbrosses, executors of Elias Desbrosses | Charles Inglis         | 202 15s. 1½d.                      |                           |
| Executors of Tobias Ten Eyck                                 | " "                    | 345                                | 345                       |
| Margaret Crooke                                              | " "                    | 1,220 12s. 8d.                     | 1,220 12s. 8d.            |
| John and Thomas Jones                                        | " "                    | 14 7s. 4d.                         | 14 7s. 4d.                |
| Samuel Franklin, executor of Walter Franklin                 | Joshua T. De St. Croix | 190 3s. 5d.                        | 190 3s. 5d.               |
| George Codwise                                               | " " " " "              | 39 8s. 7d.                         | 39 8s. 7d.                |
| John and Thomas Jones                                        | " " " " "              | 15 10s. 10d.                       | 15 10s. 10d.              |
| Thomas Pearsall                                              | " " " " "              | 999 18s. 8d.                       | 999 18s. 8d.              |
| John and Thomas Jones                                        | William Tryon          | 60 2s. 3d.                         | 60 2s. 3d.                |
| Joseph Klein, administrator of John Klein                    | John Griggs            | 61 3s. 3d.                         | 18 11s. 4d.<br>(dividend) |
| John A. Graham                                               | " "                    | 103 11s. 6d.                       | 31 8s. 8d.                |
| James Duane                                                  | Robert McGinnis        | 61 3s.                             | 61 3s.                    |
| Abraham Walton                                               | John Rapalje           | 330                                | 330                       |
| Abraham Luquere                                              | " "                    | 547 15s.                           | 547 15s.                  |
| Jeremiah Van Der Bilt, administrator of John Ryerson         | " "                    | 283                                | 283                       |
| Executors of Nathaniel Marston                               | " "                    | 400                                |                           |
| John I. Skidmore                                             | " "                    | 9 10s.                             | 9 10s.                    |
| Johannis Debevoise and Jacobus Debevoise                     | " "                    | 58 5s. 4d.                         | 58 5s. 4d.                |
| Evert Byvanck, of the firm of Abeel & Byvanck                | " "                    | 10 18s. 5d.                        | 10 18s. 5d.               |
| Hendrick Lefferts                                            | " "                    | 315                                | 315                       |
| Executors of Jacamiah Allen                                  | " "                    | 9 5s. 8½d.                         | 9 5s. 8½d.                |
| Benitie Suydam                                               | " "                    | 206 4s. 3d.                        | 206 4s. 3d.               |
| Executors of Joseph Lewis                                    | " "                    | 35 13s. 2d.                        | 35 13s. 2d.               |
| Peter Byvanck, executor of Evert Byvanck                     | " "                    | 38 10s.                            | 38 10s.                   |
| William Allen                                                | " "                    | 7 11s. 3½d.                        | 7 11s. 3½d.               |
| Christopher Smith                                            | " "                    | 50 2s.                             | 50 2s.                    |
| Gerardus Duyckinck                                           | " "                    | 53 4s. 9¾d.                        | 53 4s. 9¾d.               |
| Administrators of estate of Johannis Johnson                 | " "                    | 689 8s. 6d.                        | 689 8s. 6d.               |
| Cornelius Clopper                                            | " "                    | 61 19s. 1d.                        | 61 19s. 1d.               |
| Mary Verplanck                                               | " "                    | 217 9s. 3d.                        | 217 9s. 3d.               |
| Hendrick Suydam                                              | " "                    | 79 6s. 3d.                         | 79 6s. 3d.                |
| Augustus Van Cortlandt                                       | " "                    | 583 10s.                           | 583 10s.                  |
| John Long                                                    | " "                    | 392 5s. 8d.                        |                           |
| Adolph Waldron                                               | " "                    | 77 19s. 3d.                        | 77 19s. 3d.               |
| John Arthur                                                  | " "                    | 4 7s. 5d.                          | 4 7s. 5d.                 |
| Adam Gilchrist                                               | " "                    | 16 1s. 1½d.                        | 16 1s. 1½d.               |
| Executors of John Ryerson                                    | " "                    | 301                                |                           |

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| John Bergen                                                                          | John Rapalje                        | £ 77 18s. 4½d.                     | £                           |
| Adam Gilchrist                                                                       | David Colden                        | 4 19s. 2½d.                        | 4 19s. 2½d.                 |
| James Abeel                                                                          | " "                                 | 9 18s.                             | 9 18s.                      |
| John and Thomas Jones                                                                | Gabriel G. Ludlow                   | 12 12s. 3d.                        | 12 12s. 3d.                 |
| Edward and William<br>Laight                                                         | " " "                               | 13 16s. 6d.                        | 13 16s. 6d.                 |
| John and Thomas Jones                                                                | George Duncan Ludlow                | 26 17s. 2d.                        | 26 17s. 2d.                 |
| Anthony L. Bleecker                                                                  | Henry Lloyd                         | 181 5s.                            | 181 5s.                     |
| Paschal Nelson Smith,<br>surviving partner of the<br>Company of Aspinwall<br>& Smith | " "                                 | 157 4s. 11d.                       | 157 4s. 11d.                |
| Hannah Laboyteaux, ex-<br>ecutrix of John Laboy-<br>teaux                            | George Muirson                      | 7 14s.                             | 7 14s.                      |
| Cyrus Punderson, physi-<br>cian                                                      | " "                                 | 84 4s. 9d.                         | 84 4s. 9d.                  |
| Richard Terry                                                                        | " "                                 | 59 14s. 10d.                       | 59 14s. 10d.                |
| Jerusha Wickham                                                                      | Parker Wickham                      | 83 4s. 3d.                         | 83 4s. 3d.                  |
| Benjamin Wells                                                                       | " "                                 | 168 4s. 11d.                       | 168 4s. 11d.                |
| Administrators of estate<br>of William Wells                                         | " "                                 | 125                                | 125                         |
| David Conkling                                                                       | " "                                 | 4                                  | 4                           |
| George Martense                                                                      | Dowe Van Dyne                       | 100 16s. 10d.                      | 100 16s. 10d.               |
| Abraham Remsen                                                                       | " " "                               | 47 10s. 3d.                        | 47 10s. 3d.                 |
| Gilbert Thorn                                                                        | James DeLancey<br>(Westchester Co.) | 41 17s. 7d.                        | 41 17s. 7d.                 |
| Adam Gilchrist                                                                       | " " "                               | 51                                 | 51                          |
| Executors of Basil Bartow                                                            | " "                                 | 41 13s. 9d.                        | 41 13s. 9d.                 |
| Hannah Laboyteaux, ex-<br>ecutrix of John Laboy-<br>teaux                            | Benjamin Seaman                     | 4 7s. 8d.                          | 4 7s. 8d.                   |
| John Carpenter                                                                       | John Weeks                          | 302 8s. 8d.                        | 302 8s. 8d.                 |
| David Marshall                                                                       | " "                                 | 99 11s. 8d.                        | 99 11s. 8d.                 |
| Phebe Fowler, late<br>Phebe Kippe                                                    | " "                                 | 95 10s.                            | 95 10s.                     |
| Basil Barton's executor                                                              | Solomon Fowler                      | 23 19s. 2d.                        | 23 19s. 2d.                 |
| Comfort Sands                                                                        | " " "                               | 21 1s. 8d.                         | 21 1s. 8d.                  |
| Jacob Watson                                                                         | Adam and Israel<br>Seaman           | 385 4s. 4d.                        | 216 17s. 1d.<br>(dividends) |
| Executor of William<br>Butler                                                        | " " "                               | 156 18s. 0½d.                      | 88 6s. 8d.                  |
| Christopher Smith                                                                    | Adam Seaman                         | 76 16s. 6d.                        | 30 6s. 9d.                  |
| Josiah and Isaac Brown                                                               | " "                                 | 153 9s.                            | 60 12s.                     |
| James Totten                                                                         | Israel Seaman                       | 37 (?) 6d.                         |                             |
| James Debrosses, executor<br>of William Butler                                       | " "                                 | 342 13s. 2½d.                      | 95 3s. 8d.                  |
| Peter Byvanck                                                                        | " "                                 | 12 4s. 1½d.                        | 3 7s. 10d.                  |
| Thomas Valentine, executor<br>of Mathias Valentine                                   | John Bates                          | 40                                 | 40                          |
| John Mott, administrator<br>of estate of Adam Mott                                   | Benjamin Lewis                      | 222 0s. 6d.                        | 61 18s. 1d.                 |
| " " " " "                                                                            | " "                                 | 278 15s. 6d.                       | 77 12s. 4d.                 |



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| Joseph Strang                                                        | Benjamin Lewis                  | £ 23 15s. 7d.                      | £                                                                                                                                                   |
| John Arthur                                                          | Benjamin Ogden                  | 12 1s. 7d.                         |                                                                                                                                                     |
| Glode Requa                                                          | " "                             | 185 9s. 2d.                        | 41 16s. 1d.<br>(dividend)                                                                                                                           |
| William Craft                                                        | " "                             | 11 16s. 4d.                        | 2 13s. 4d.                                                                                                                                          |
| Samuel Lyon                                                          | " "                             | 45 18s.                            | 10 6s. 11d.                                                                                                                                         |
| Thomas Ten Eyck                                                      | " "                             | 617 16s.                           | 139 5s. 3d.                                                                                                                                         |
| Jonathan Wolsey                                                      | " "                             | 22 6s. 6d.                         | 5 0s. 8d.                                                                                                                                           |
| Joseph Fowler                                                        | Jonathan Wright                 | 5 16s.                             | 9 0s. 5d.<br>(The additional £3 4s.<br>5d. constituted the in-<br>terest from the date<br>the debt was certified<br>until the date of pay-<br>ment) |
| Jacob Smith                                                          | " "                             | 1 4s.                              | 1 4s.                                                                                                                                               |
| Jonathan G. Tompkins,<br>administrator of estate<br>of Elijah Gidney | Isaac Williams                  | 114 13s. 1d.                       | 114 13s. 1d.                                                                                                                                        |
| " "                                                                  | " "                             | 274                                | 274                                                                                                                                                 |
| Executors of Basil Barton                                            | " "                             | 130 2s.                            | 130 2s.                                                                                                                                             |
| " " " "                                                              | John Pell                       | 14 1s. 8d.                         | 14 1s. 8d.                                                                                                                                          |
| Gilbert Pell                                                         | Joshua Pell                     | 360 0s. 4d.                        |                                                                                                                                                     |
| Herbert Van Wagnen,<br>executor of Abraham<br>Parcell                | " "                             | 91 17s. 10½d.                      |                                                                                                                                                     |
| Peter Byvanck                                                        | " "                             | 16 16s. 1½d.                       |                                                                                                                                                     |
| Thomas Valentine, executor<br>of Mathias Valentine                   | " "                             | 90 17s. 10d.                       |                                                                                                                                                     |
| Isaac Norton                                                         | Shubal Sniffen                  | 22 10s. 1d.                        | 22 10s. 1d.                                                                                                                                         |
| Joseph Benedict                                                      | " "                             | 25 9s. 3d.                         | 25 9s. 3d.                                                                                                                                          |
| Prudence Weed, adminis-<br>tratrix to the estate of<br>Thaddeus Weed | " "                             | 16 0s. 2d.                         | 16 0s. 2d.                                                                                                                                          |
| Abraham Miller                                                       | Gilbert Miller                  | 18 1s. 8d.                         | 18 1s. 8d.                                                                                                                                          |
| Jacob Kniffin                                                        | Joseph Merritt                  | 63 16s.                            | 63 16s.                                                                                                                                             |
| Thomas Clapp, executor<br>of John Clapp                              | " "                             | 87 15s. 7d.                        | 87 15s. 7d.                                                                                                                                         |
| Augustus Van Cortlandt                                               | " "                             | 197 5s. 4d.                        | 197 5s. 4d.                                                                                                                                         |
| John Delavan, administra-<br>tor to the estate of Dr.<br>David Daton | Thomas Merritt                  | 1 15s. 4d.                         |                                                                                                                                                     |
| Phebe Merritt                                                        | " "                             | 14 1s. 2d.                         | 12 12s. 7d.                                                                                                                                         |
| Samuel Brown                                                         | " "                             | 95 7s. 10d.                        | 85 13s. 10d.                                                                                                                                        |
| Benjamin Lyon                                                        | " "                             | 128 4s.                            | 115 3s. 3d.                                                                                                                                         |
| Joseph Wilson                                                        | " "                             | 111 4s. 11d.                       | 99 18s. 7d.                                                                                                                                         |
| William Earley                                                       | Nathan Whitney                  | 18                                 | 18                                                                                                                                                  |
| Jacob Smith                                                          | " "                             | 4 17s.                             | 4 17s.                                                                                                                                              |
| Stephen Horton                                                       | " "                             | 40 16s. 5d.                        | 40 16s. 5d.                                                                                                                                         |
| Benjamin Parmer                                                      | Edmund Ward                     | 373 14s. 3d.                       | 373 14s. 3d.                                                                                                                                        |
| Thomas Hunt, heir of<br>Jonathan Wright of<br>Queens County          | Edmund Ward and<br>William Reed | 375 18s. 4d.                       |                                                                                                                                                     |

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| George Embrey                                         | Edmund Ward and<br>William Reed | £ 236 17s. 6d.                     | £ 236 17s. 6d.<br>(He was paid £32 5s. 5d.<br>out of Reed's estate,<br>and £204 12s. 1d. out<br>of Ward's estate.) |
| Daniel Ferris                                         | William Reed                    | 60 13s. 4d.                        | 16 10s. 5d.<br>(dividend)                                                                                          |
| Adolph Waldron                                        | Johannis Polhemus               | 4 12s. 11d.                        | 4 12s. 11d.                                                                                                        |
| Noah Boutton                                          | Nathan Osburn                   | 4 4s. 7d.                          | 4 4s. 7d.                                                                                                          |
| Joseph Benedict                                       | " "                             | 5 15s. 2d.                         | 5 15s. 2d.                                                                                                         |
| Ephraim Marvin                                        | " "                             | 27 1s.                             | 27 1s.                                                                                                             |
| Robert Bruce                                          | " "                             | 46 7s. 9d.                         | 46 7s. 9d.                                                                                                         |
| Ebenezer Lockwood                                     | " "                             | 4 18s. 8d.                         | 4 18s. 8d.                                                                                                         |
| James Duane                                           | Frederick Philipse              | 70 14s.                            | 70 14s.                                                                                                            |
| Gerardus Duyckinck                                    | " "                             | 4 5s. 11¼d.                        | 4 5s. 11¼d.                                                                                                        |
| Evert Byvanck, of the firm<br>of Abeel & Byvanck      | " "                             | 4 1s. 5d.                          | 4 1s. 5d.                                                                                                          |
| Gabriel H. Ludlow and<br>Charles Shaw, mer-<br>chants | " "                             | 263 15s. 11d.                      | 263 15s. 11d.                                                                                                      |
| Samuel Fraunces                                       | " "                             | 50 5s. 6d.                         | 50 5s. 6d.                                                                                                         |
| John Arthur                                           | " "                             | 12 4s. 1d.                         | 12 4s. 1d.                                                                                                         |
| John and Thomas Jones                                 | " "                             | 135 16s.                           | 135 16s.                                                                                                           |
| Peter T. Curtenius                                    | " "                             | 4 16s. 5¾d.                        | 4 16s. 5¾d.                                                                                                        |
| " " " "                                               | " "                             |                                    |                                                                                                                    |
| of the firm of Sharpe,<br>Curtenius, and Lyle         | " "                             | 21 0s. 11¼d.                       | 21 0s. 11¼d.                                                                                                       |
| William Paulding                                      | " "                             | 4 18s. 9d.                         | 4 18s. 9d.                                                                                                         |
| Isaac Valentine                                       | " "                             | 43 7s. 1d.                         | 43 7s. 1d.                                                                                                         |
| Anthony Archer                                        | " "                             | 22 5s. 1d.                         | 22 5s. 1d.                                                                                                         |
| Hannah Laboyteaux,<br>executrix of John<br>Laboyteaux | " "                             | 5 17s. 9d.                         | 5 17s. 9d.                                                                                                         |
| Stephen Steele                                        | " "                             | 130 6s.                            | 130 6s.                                                                                                            |
| Joseph Bull, executor<br>of William Sutton            | " "                             | 11 14s. 10d.                       | 11 14s. 10d.                                                                                                       |
| Assignees of Grove and<br>Elizabeth Bend              | " "                             | 19 14s. 6½d.                       | 19 14s. 6½d.                                                                                                       |
| Hannah Brewer, ad-<br>ministratrix of James<br>Brewer | Edmund Palmer                   | 27 6s. 10d.                        |                                                                                                                    |
| John Byvanck                                          | " "                             | 38 4s. 9d.                         |                                                                                                                    |
| John Hallock                                          | Lewis Palmer                    | 396 16s. 7d.                       | 396 16s. 7d.                                                                                                       |
| Levi Bailly                                           | " "                             | 172 5s.                            | 172 5s.                                                                                                            |
| Vincent Fowler, executor<br>of Benjamin Fowler        | " "                             | 148 5s. 6d.                        | 148 5s. 6d.                                                                                                        |
| John Hallock                                          | " "                             | 231 11s. 6d.                       | 231 11s. 6d.                                                                                                       |
| Stephen Horton                                        | " "                             | 11s. 8d.                           |                                                                                                                    |
| Walter Ward                                           | " "                             | 19 16s. 10d.                       | 19 16s. 10d.                                                                                                       |
| Joseph Strang                                         | " "                             | 3 11s. 4d.                         | 3 11s. 4d.                                                                                                         |
| Michael Frost                                         | Jeremiah Travis                 | 500 18s. 10d.                      | 500 18s. 10d.                                                                                                      |
| James Perry                                           | " "                             | 25                                 | 25                                                                                                                 |
| Joseph Strang                                         | " "                             | 32 11s. 5d.                        |                                                                                                                    |
| Richard Curry                                         | " "                             | 35 8s.                             | 35 8s.                                                                                                             |

| <i>Creditor (cont.)</i>                                              | <i>Estate of</i>    | <i>Amount Certified<br/>As Due</i> | <i>Amount Paid</i>                                                                                                                                                                            |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| William Paulding                                                     | Peter Huggeförd     | £ 29 6s. 6d.                       | £ 29 6s. 6d.                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Absolom Gedney, executor<br>of Joseph Gedney                         | " "                 | 60                                 | 60                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Joseph Bull, executor<br>of William Sutton                           | " "                 | 11 4s. 11d.                        | 11 4s. 11d.                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Joseph Strang junior,<br>executor of Andrew<br>Miller                | " "                 | 19 14s. 4d.                        | 19 14s. 4d.                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Martha Drake, executrix<br>of Jeremiah Drake                         | " "                 | 14 11s. 9d.                        | 14 19s. 5d.<br>(The State deducted £5<br>for a debt which Drake<br>owed to Huggeförd.<br>After making this re-<br>duction, the State<br>added £5 7s. 8d. to<br>the balance as inter-<br>est.) |
| Joseph Strang                                                        | " "                 | 22 7s. 9d.                         | 22 7s. 9d.                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Jacob Smith                                                          | " "                 | 3                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Martha Drake, executrix<br>of Jeremiah Drake                         | Nathan Whitney      | 78 15s. 6d.                        | 78 15s. 6d.                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Joseph Strang                                                        | William Travis      | 80 14s. 3d.                        |                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Jacob Smith                                                          | " "                 | 3 8s. 6d.                          | 3 8s. 6d.                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Benjamin Tripp,<br>administrator of estate<br>of James Tripp         | Thomas Flewelling   | 8 1s. 5d.                          | 8 1s. 5d.                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Stephen Horton                                                       | Philip Jones        | 2 10s.                             | 2 10s.                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Joseph Strang junior,<br>executor of Andrew<br>Miller                | " "                 | 4 19s.                             |                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Martha Drake, executrix<br>of Jeremiah Drake                         | " "                 | 40 15s. 10d.                       | 40 15s. 10d.                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| David Hubby                                                          | Shubal Brush        | 141                                | 141                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| John Delavan, adminis-<br>trator to the estate of<br>Dr. David Daton | " "                 | 4 10s.                             | 4 10s.                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Job Wright                                                           | Archelaus Carpenter | 41 3s. 9d.                         | 41 3s. 9d.                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| William Craft                                                        | " "                 | 18 0s. 8d.                         | 18 0s. 8d.                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Jotham Townsend,<br>executor of Micajah<br>Townsend                  | " "                 | 59 10s.                            | 59 10s.                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Caleb Carpenter, executor<br>of John Carpenter                       | " "                 | 79 5s. 4d.                         | 79 5s. 4d.                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Timothy Carpenter                                                    | " "                 | 180                                | 180                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| John Delavan, adminis-<br>trator of Dr. David<br>Daton               | " "                 | 1 17s. 8d.                         | 1 17s. 8d.                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Daniel Kissam, executor<br>of Joseph Hullet                          | John Gidney         | 80 14s.                            | 80 14s.                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| John Seyson                                                          | " "                 | 52 19s. 3d.                        | 52 19s. 3d.                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Daniel Kissam, executor<br>of Joseph Hullet                          | Joseph Gidney       | 80 14s.                            | 80 14s.                                                                                                                                                                                       |

| <i>Creditor (cont.)</i>                                                                                 | <i>Estate of</i>             | <i>Amount Certified<br/>As Due</i>                      | <i>Amount Paid</i>        |
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| Jonathan G. Tompkins,<br>administrator of the<br>estate of Elijah Gedney                                | Benjamin Hunt                | £ 2 6s. 7d.                                             | £ 2 6s. 7d.               |
| Peter Keteltas                                                                                          | Francis Peemart              | 96 17s. 3d.                                             | 96 17s. 3d.               |
| Samuel Drake                                                                                            | " "                          | 34 10s.                                                 | 34 10s.                   |
| Richard Currie                                                                                          | " "                          | 37 1s.                                                  | 37 1s.                    |
| Joseph Strang                                                                                           | " "                          | 44 2s. 8d.                                              |                           |
| William Earley                                                                                          | Benjamin Lewis               | 36 14s.                                                 | 36 14s.                   |
| Joseph Strang                                                                                           | Zoar Cock                    | 12 5s. 10d.                                             |                           |
| " "                                                                                                     | Griffin Corey                | 5 5s. 9d.                                               |                           |
| Martha Drake, executrix<br>of Jeremiah Drake                                                            | " " (and<br>Jeremiah Travis) | 246 12s. 6d.                                            | 246 12s. 6d.              |
| John Delavan, adminis-<br>trator to estate of Dr.<br>David Daton                                        | James Crawford               | 32 12s. 6d.                                             |                           |
| Martha Drake, executrix<br>of Jeremiah Drake                                                            | Peter Drake                  | 4 17s. 5d.                                              | 4 17s. 5d.                |
| Joseph Strang                                                                                           | Walter Dobs                  | 7 3s. 3d.                                               |                           |
| John Delavan, adminis-<br>trator to estate of Dr.<br>David Daton                                        | John Crawford                | 1 12s.                                                  |                           |
| Executors of David Van<br>Horne                                                                         | James and Stephen<br>Holmes  | 172 15s.                                                | 172 15s.                  |
| Ebenezer Lockwood and<br>his wife (Sarah Wilson)                                                        | Lewis Holmes                 | 84 19s. (with<br>interest from<br>March 15, 1786)       | 43 3s. 11d.<br>(dividend) |
| Ebenezer, John Crissy,<br>and Solomon Miller<br>(husbands of Dorothy,<br>Mary, and Deborah<br>Westcoat) | " "                          | 53 0s. 7d.                                              | 17 4s.                    |
| William Robertson                                                                                       | " "                          | 32 18s. 2d.                                             | 10 13s. 8d.               |
| John Miller                                                                                             | " "                          | 37 14s. 3d.                                             | 12 4s. 6d.                |
| Joseph Vail                                                                                             | " "                          | 212 19s.                                                | 165 17s. 9d.              |
| Ebenezer Wheeler and<br>Amy, his wife                                                                   | " "                          | 36 13s. 4d.<br>(with interest<br>from March 6,<br>1780) |                           |

*Appendix 4 (cont.)**B. The Liquidation of Claims In Behalf of Loyalist Estates.<sup>1</sup>*

| <i>Debtor</i>   | <i>Loyalist Creditor</i> | <i>Nature of Debt</i>                             | <i>Amount Paid to State</i> |
|-----------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Henry Clapp     | William Axtell           | Mortgage for £240 11s.<br>5d., dated Jan. 9, 1776 | £ 306 1s. 2d.               |
| Abraham P. Lott | " "                      | Mortgage for £600, dated<br>Mar. 8, 1775          | 664 1s. 10d.                |

*1. Sources:*

*Manuscripts of the Colony and State of New York in the Revolutionary War*, vols. 45 and 46, State Library, Albany.

*New York State Treasurer's Day Book, 1784-1798*, State Library, Albany.

| <i>Debtor</i>                                                         | <i>Loyalist Creditor</i>            | <i>Nature of Debt</i>                                                                                            | <i>Amount Paid to State</i>                                                    |
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| Caleb Hyatt's executor                                                | William Axtell                      | Bond for £90                                                                                                     | £ 104 9s. 1d.                                                                  |
| John Osburn                                                           | Ezekiel Hawley                      |                                                                                                                  |                                                                                |
|                                                                       | junior                              | Bond and Mortgage                                                                                                | 350                                                                            |
| John Leary                                                            | George Folliot                      | Bond executed by John Leary senior, John Leary junior, and William Leary for £100 with interest from Sept., 1774 | 120 3s. 1d.                                                                    |
| Hezekiah Brown                                                        | " "                                 | Bond and Mortgage                                                                                                | 120 3s. 1d.                                                                    |
| William Gilliland                                                     | " "                                 | Mortgage held by Folliot                                                                                         | 280 16s.                                                                       |
| William Russell                                                       | " "                                 | Mortgage for £500                                                                                                | 1,346 8s.                                                                      |
| Charles Hurst                                                         | " "                                 | Bond given by Timothy and Charles Hurst in 1770                                                                  | 530 8s. 11d.                                                                   |
| Rachel Pinto                                                          | " "                                 | Mortgage for £400, dated July 14, 1773                                                                           | 354 14s. 2d.                                                                   |
| William Bedlow                                                        | " "                                 | Mortgage for £200, dated Jan. 19, 1773                                                                           | 427 15s. 4¾d.                                                                  |
| John Stagg                                                            | " "                                 | Mortgage for £180, dated Sept. 14, 1765                                                                          | 238 15s. 2d.                                                                   |
| Philip P. Livingston, administrator of Philip Livingston              | " "                                 | Bond given by Cavalier Jouet and Philip Livingston for £400, dated May 20, 1772                                  | 142 14s. 2d.                                                                   |
| Isaac Roosevelt                                                       | " "                                 | Bond for £900, dated Jan. 14, 1773                                                                               | 500                                                                            |
| Richard Harrison, in behalf of the representatives of George Harrison | " "                                 | Bond for £1,000, dated May 1, 1766, and a promissory note for £300, dated Apr. 19, 1770                          | 1,406 17s. 6d.                                                                 |
| Representatives of Jacamiah Allen                                     | James Jauncey                       | Mortgage for £400, dated May 13, 1767                                                                            | 2,486 5s. 4d.                                                                  |
| John Bancker                                                          | " "                                 | Mortgage given by Abraham De Peyster and John Bancker for £300, dated Oct. 10, 1774                              | 486 12s. 8d.                                                                   |
| William Barker                                                        | " "                                 | Mortgage for £100, dated May 10, 1776                                                                            | 342 1s. 9d.                                                                    |
| Thomas Beverly                                                        | James Jauncey (and Oliver DeLancey) | Mortgage given to Jauncey, DeLancey, G. Ban-<br>yar, and Peter Remsen for £80 in 1772                            | 163 2s. 3d.                                                                    |
| Nicholas Brower                                                       | James Jauncey                       | Mortgage for £600, dated Nov. 1, 1776                                                                            | 55 1s. 10d.,<br>"the balance due on Oliver DeLancey and James Jauncey's part." |
|                                                                       |                                     |                                                                                                                  | 888 10s.                                                                       |



| <i>Debtor</i>                      | <i>Loyalist Creditor</i> | <i>Nature of Debt</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>Amount Paid to State</i>                                                                     |
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| George Carr                        | James Jauncey            | Bond and mortgage for £128, dated Mar. 13, 1776                                                                                                                                                                                        | £ 128 11s. 10d.                                                                                 |
| Elijah Calkin                      | " "                      | Bond for £200                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 230 4s. 7d.                                                                                     |
| John Carpenter                     | " "                      | Mortgage for £326 12s. 3d., dated Dec. 15, 1767                                                                                                                                                                                        | 345 14s. 6d.                                                                                    |
| " "                                | " "                      | Mortgage for £600, dated Apr. 6, 1776                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 753                                                                                             |
| " "                                | " "                      | Mortgage for £600, dated Apr. 6, 1776, interest at 6% per annum                                                                                                                                                                        | 909                                                                                             |
| William Chamberlin                 | " "                      | Mortgage for £300, dated Mar. 1, 1776                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 483 14s. 11d.                                                                                   |
| Edward Churchill                   | " "                      | Bond and mortgage for £350                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 449 10s. 10d.                                                                                   |
| William Conklin and Jeremiah Clark | " "                      | Mortgages on real estate executed by Theophilus Wood to John W. Smith and assigned by the latter to James Jauncey. When Conklin and Clark came into possession of the premises (in Orange County), they had these mortgages cancelled. | 403 6s.                                                                                         |
| Joseph Currey and Benjamin Davis   | " "                      | Mortgages given to Jauncey                                                                                                                                                                                                             | On Feb. 8, 1785 they paid in £270 18s. 10½d.; and on Feb. 26, 1785, they paid in £165 18s. 7½d. |
| Heirs of Richard Denton            | " "                      | Bond for £300, dated June 13, 1776                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 376 6s.                                                                                         |
| Samuel Gale                        | " "                      | Bond and mortgage given to Jauncey and Desbrosses for £1,800, interest at 5%, dated Apr. 20, 1776. Gale paid that part due to Jauncey.                                                                                                 | 1,286 18s. 9d.                                                                                  |
| Isaac Gouverneur                   | " "                      | Two mortgages from Nicholas Gouverneur and Mary, his wife                                                                                                                                                                              | 2,165 14s. 10d.                                                                                 |
| Executor of Jonathan Haight        | " "                      | Bond given by Jonathan Haight and Jacob Mandeville for £300 in 1775                                                                                                                                                                    | 394 18s. 10d.                                                                                   |
| Bartholomew Hadden                 | " "                      | Mortgage for £300, dated Apr. 10, 1776                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 453 17s.                                                                                        |
| Job Hadden junior                  | " "                      | Mortgage for £500 executed in 1774 or 1775                                                                                                                                                                                             | 758 6s. 8d.                                                                                     |
| Joseph Hallett                     | " "                      | Bond and mortgage for £1,500 given about 1764                                                                                                                                                                                          | 1,955                                                                                           |

| <i>Debtor</i>                     | <i>Loyalist Creditor</i> | <i>Nature of Debt</i>                                                                                  | <i>Amount Paid to State</i>                                                    |
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| William Holly                     | James Jauncey            | Mortgage for £450 dated Feb. 3, 1776                                                                   | £ 681 13s.                                                                     |
| Israel Horton                     | " "                      | Mortgage for £300, dated June 29, 1771                                                                 | 354 16s. 8d.                                                                   |
| Nathaniel Hughson                 | " "                      | Mortgage in the penal sum of £400 conditioned for the payment of £200, dated May 11, 1776              | 332 4s. 6d.                                                                    |
| John Sloss Hobart                 | " "                      | Bond and mortgage for £1,600, dated Apr. 12, 1771                                                      | 1,800 15s. 5d.                                                                 |
| Peter Keteltas                    | " "                      | Bond to Jauncey                                                                                        | 246 16s. 5d.                                                                   |
| Ephraim Jones                     | " "                      | Bond for £100                                                                                          | 115 6s. 1d.                                                                    |
| Nathaniel Lathrop                 | " "                      | Mortgage for £210, dated June 13, 1776                                                                 | 264 19s. 6d.                                                                   |
| Leonard Lispenard and Lewis Ogden | " "                      | Mortgage given by Anthony A. Rutgers and Gertrude Rutgers for £3,000, dated June 20, 1770              | 2,438 5s. 10d.                                                                 |
| Samuel London                     | " "                      | Mortgage executed by Samuel London and Philip and Lydia Chandler for £600, dated June 13, 1772         | 703 5s.                                                                        |
| Executor of Joseph Jacobs         | " "                      | Book debt of £63                                                                                       | 42 5s. 9d.<br>(dividend)                                                       |
| William Mercier                   | " "                      | Mortgage for £600, dated Mar. 5, 1767. Jauncey assigned this mortgage to Hugh Wallace on Mar. 22, 1781 | 739 8s. 4d.                                                                    |
| Isaac Miller                      | " "                      | Mortgage for £100, dated June 4, 1776                                                                  | 151 10s.                                                                       |
| Jacob Miller junior               | " "                      | Mortgage for £150, dated June 4, 1776                                                                  | 227 5s.                                                                        |
| Thomas Ogilvie                    | " "                      | Mortgage for £200                                                                                      | 208 2s. 10d.                                                                   |
| Philip Palmer                     | " "                      | Mortgage for £400, dated Aug. 31, 1773                                                                 | 779 12s. 2d.                                                                   |
| Jonas Platt                       | " "                      | Bond and mortgage for £600, dated Sept. 5, 1764                                                        | 815 5s. 2d.                                                                    |
| Joseph Pumie                      | " "                      | Mortgage for £170, dated Apr. 22, 1776                                                                 | Judge Hobart certified that the balance due on this mortgage was £274 12s. 5d. |
| Joseph Robinson                   | " "                      | Bond for £200                                                                                          | 229                                                                            |
| Devisee of John Roorbach          | " "                      | Mortgage for £900, dated Jan. 16, 1770                                                                 | 579 16s. 9d.                                                                   |
| John Sebring                      | " "                      | Bond for £800 given to Jauncey on Mar. 26,                                                             |                                                                                |

| <i>Debtor</i>                                    | <i>Loyalist Creditor</i>   | <i>Nature of Debt</i>                                                                                                                       | <i>Amount Paid to State</i> |
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|                                                  |                            | 1772 by Jacob, Jacob junior, Cornelius I., and John Sebring                                                                                 | £ 937 16s. 3d.              |
| Abraham, Henry, Paul and Peter Schenck           | James Jauncey              | Bond for £400, dated Sept. 11, 1774                                                                                                         | 464 15s. 6d.                |
| Neal Shaw                                        | " "                        | Book account                                                                                                                                | 617 2s.                     |
| Margaret Smith, executrix of John Smith          | " "                        | Bond for £4,000                                                                                                                             | 4,979 2s. 10d.              |
| Stephen Steele                                   | " "                        | Mortgage for £150, dated July 5, 1774                                                                                                       | 206                         |
| Anthony Tonroy                                   | " "                        | Bond for £100, dated June 13, 1776                                                                                                          | 114 7s. 11d.                |
| Thomas Tredwell                                  | " "                        | Bond for £300, dated about 1766                                                                                                             | 260 18s. 3d.                |
| Stephen and Charles Truesdale                    | " "                        | Bond for £250, dated Oct. 2, 1776                                                                                                           | 409 13s. 9d.                |
| Thomas Vardell                                   | " "                        | Bond for £1,800, dated Mar. 26, 1767                                                                                                        | 300                         |
| Peter Pra Van Zandt                              | " "                        | Bond for £1,000 given in 1776                                                                                                               | 1,047 13s. 10d.             |
| Isaac Van Vleck and another                      | " "                        | Bond for £1,000, dated July 2, 1773                                                                                                         | 1,157 10s.                  |
| Peter Vandewoort                                 | " "                        | Debt of £16 16s.                                                                                                                            | 18 0s. 11d.                 |
| Adolph Waldron                                   | " "                        | Mortgage for £600, dated Jan. 25, 1772                                                                                                      | 729 17s. 8d.                |
| Josiah Wilcox                                    | " "                        | Bond for £150, dated June 13, 1776                                                                                                          | 149 9s. 10d.<br>(in part)   |
| John Haring                                      | William Bayard             | Debt of Peter V. Houten amounting to £427 12s. 3d.; and bond and mortgage from Jacob, David, and Matthew Eckerson for £127, dated May, 1774 | 527 0s. 10d.                |
| Hugh Dennison                                    | " "                        | Mortgage for £200, dated Aug. 30, 1771                                                                                                      | 272 13s. 5d.                |
| Philip Van Cortlandt                             | " "                        | Book account                                                                                                                                | 92 11s. 10d.                |
| Benjamin Starbuck                                | " "<br>(and Robert Bayard) | Bond                                                                                                                                        | 147 7s. 7d.                 |
| Lewis A. Scott                                   | Alexander Wallace          | Note given to Wallace in 1776 "for Horse, Saddle, and Bridle"                                                                               | 50                          |
| Theophilus Beekman                               | " "                        | Mortgage given by James, John, Theophilus, Gerard, and Thomas Beekman for £1,000, dated Sept. 8, 1774                                       | 659 3s. 10d.                |
| Administrator to the estate of Philip Livingston | Hugh Wallace               | For £932 17s. 7d. "advanced to you by Hugh                                                                                                  |                             |

| <i>Debtor</i>           | <i>Loyalist Creditor</i> | <i>Nature of Debt</i>                                                                                                                            | <i>Amount Paid to State</i>                           |
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| Peter Mesier            | Hugh Wallace             | Wallace Esqr. as appears by a receipt from your son, Abm. Livingston dated 24th April 1776—which said sum is forfeited to the State of New York" | £ 934 9s. 7d.                                         |
| William Mercier         | " "                      | Debt to Hugh Wallace (see James Jauncey)                                                                                                         | 346 15s.                                              |
| John Martin V. D. Werke | " "                      | Bond and mortgage for £180, executed to Hugh Wallace and G. Banyar, dated Apr. 25, 1775                                                          | 95 9s. 4d.<br>(in discharge of Hugh Wallace's share)  |
| Witter Johnston         | " "                      | Bond and mortgage given by his father to Hugh Wallace and G. Banyar in 1775                                                                      | 59 14s. 4½d.<br>(in discharge of Hugh Wallace's part) |
| Isaac Norton            | Thomas Jones             | Mortgage for £300                                                                                                                                | 326 15s. 8d.                                          |
| Peter Dates             | John Watts               | Bond for about £122                                                                                                                              | 178 7s. 6d.                                           |
| Jacobus Lefferts        | " "                      | Mortgage executed by John Amory for £708 8s., dated May 11, 1773                                                                                 | 959 12s. 9d.                                          |
| R. G. Livingston        | " "                      | Bond executed by him and Samuel Hake for £3,000, dated Apr. 8, 1773                                                                              | 3,076 8s. 4d.                                         |
| Andrew Miller           | " "                      | Mortgage for £306 5s., dated June 3, 1761                                                                                                        | 498 15s. 11d.                                         |
| Robert Watts            | " "                      | Bond given by Walton Rutherford, John Stevens, and James Parker for £4,200, dated Jan. 9, 1763                                                   | 2,072                                                 |
| Jonathan Deane          | Rev. Charles Inglis      | Bond and mortgage for £536 10s.                                                                                                                  | 536 10s.                                              |
| Nathan Barlow           | " " "                    | Two mortgages, dated May 2, 1776 and June 2, 1776                                                                                                | 1,399 14s. 10½d.                                      |
| Henry Livingston        | " " "                    | Two bonds, one for £100 and the other for £120, dated Oct. 27, 1774                                                                              | 237 5s. 4d.                                           |
| Hezekiah Mills          | " " "                    | Mortgage                                                                                                                                         | 322 3s.                                               |
| Sarah Fish              | John Tabor Kempe         | Bond executed by Jonathan Fish for £600, dated July 17, 1775                                                                                     | 703 0s. 3d.                                           |
| Col. Alexander Webster  | " " "                    | Mortgage for £238                                                                                                                                | 262 12s. 2d.                                          |
| Pierre Van Cortlandt    | " " "                    | Bond given to John Kelly, which bond became the property of John Weath-                                                                          |                                                       |

| <i>Debtor</i>                                                           | <i>Loyalist Creditor</i> | <i>Nature of Debt</i>                                                                                            | <i>Amount Paid to State</i>   |
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|                                                                         |                          | erhead and by him assigned to John Tabor Kempe                                                                   | £ 398 16s. 1d.                |
| Isaac Lyttle                                                            | John Tabor Kempe         | Mortgage                                                                                                         | 242 5s. 1d.                   |
| Alexander Webster                                                       | " " "                    | John White's debt to Kempe                                                                                       | 201 11s. 9d.                  |
| Donald Campbell                                                         | Thomas White             | Mortgage for £2,600, dated Apr. 11, 1772                                                                         | 3,380 19s. 2d.                |
| Philip Ph. Livingston, administrator to the estate of Philip Livingston | " "                      | Bond executed by Philip Livingston for £200, dated Jan. 8, 1772                                                  | 268 8s. 3d.                   |
| Elijah Russel                                                           | Henry White              | The consideration money for 139 acres of land belonging to White and £420 arrearage of rent due on the said land | 3,336                         |
| Henry White                                                             | " "                      | Bond given to Henry White by John Thomas and Abraham and Joseph Thiel for £281 12s. 2d.                          | 198 13s. 5d.                  |
| Juny Fey                                                                | Isaac Low                | Bond for £20, dated Oct. 25, 1765                                                                                | 37 2s. 8d.                    |
| Thomas Kennedy                                                          | " "                      | Bond and mortgage given to Jacob Walton, Anthony Van Dam, and Isaac Low for £100, dated Apr. 27, 1775            | 44 17s. 8d. (for Low's part)  |
| Jabez Patchin                                                           | " "                      | Mortgage for £46 17s. executed to Walton, Van Dam, and Low, dated Apr. 30, 1774                                  | .                             |
| " "                                                                     | " "                      | Mortgage given to Walton, Van Dam, and Low for £53 6s. 8d., dated May 2, 1775                                    | 23 10s. 11d. (for Low's part) |
| John Birchard                                                           | " "                      | Mortgage given to Walton, Van Dam, and Low for £45 16s. 10d., dated Nov. 24, 1774                                | 17 15s. 8d. (for Low's part)  |
| Charles and Thomas Merrick                                              | " "                      | Mortgage given to Walton, Van Dam, and Low for £214, dated May 1, 1775                                           | 97 13s. 9d. (for Low's part)  |



| <i>Debtor</i>                                   | <i>Loyalist Creditor</i> | <i>Nature of Debt</i>                                                    | <i>Amount Paid to State</i>     |
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| Jellis Yates                                    | Isaac Low                | The consideration money for lands sold him by Walton, Van Dam, and Low   | £ 288 5s. 3d. (for Low's share) |
| Jacob J. Heermanus                              | " "                      | Debt owed to Low by him and David Van Ness                               | 142 14s. 8d.                    |
| Peter Vandervoort                               | " "                      | Book account                                                             | 38 6s. 8d.                      |
| John McDowel                                    | " "                      | Bond given to Walton, Van Dam, and Low for £41 12s., dated Apr. 30, 1776 | 22 12s. 5d.                     |
| Hamilton McCollister                            | " "                      | Bond given to Low                                                        | 21 15s. 8d.                     |
| William Rodman                                  | Oliver DeLancey          | Mortgage given by Samuel Rodman for £550, dated Nov. 8, 1775             | 281 13s. 4d.                    |
| John Martine                                    | Roger Morris             | Bond for £200                                                            | 231 14s. 9d.                    |
| Ephraim Palmer and<br>——— Marshall              | " "                      | Bond for £100, dated June 20, 1772                                       | 144 11s. 3d.                    |
| Joseph Truesdell                                | " "                      | Bond                                                                     | 73 7s.                          |
| John Haight                                     | " "                      | Bond given by Israel Knapp and William Wright for £33 6s. 8d. in 1767    | 47 18s. 4d.                     |
| Alexander Kidd                                  | Beverley Robinson        | Bond for £172 17s. 10d., dated Jan. 15, 1776                             | 243 3s. 9d.                     |
| John Haight                                     | " "                      | Bond given by Joseph Haight for £500 in 1765                             | 526 6s. 4d.                     |
| Anning, Luff, Leonard,<br>and John M. Smith     | Gabriel G. Ludlow        | Mortgage for £1,150 dated Apr. 25, 1775                                  | 1,150                           |
| Thomas Smith junior                             | Nathan Whitney           | Bond given by Seth Whitney to Nathan Whitney for £55 10s.                | 63 11s. 9d.                     |
| Seth Whitney                                    | " "                      | Bond for £40, dated June, 1776                                           | 48 8s.                          |
| Henry Strang and<br>Abraham Purdy               | " "                      | Bond for £65, dated July 2, 1768                                         | 91 10s.                         |
| Stephen Horton,<br>executor of Daniel<br>Wright | " "                      | Bond given by Daniel and Jacob Wright for £100, dated May 19, 1762       | 67 13s.                         |
| Solomon Sherwood                                | Frederick Philipse       | Bond for £50, dated Aug., 1773                                           | 64 10s. 10d.                    |
| Joshua Sherwood                                 | " "                      | Bond for £80, dated May 1, 1775                                          | 96 8s. 5d.                      |
| Joseph Youngs                                   | " "                      | Bond for £50                                                             | 57 5s. 1d.                      |
| Elijah Hunter                                   | " "                      | Bond given by him and Jonathan Platt or Jeremiah Hunter for £160         | 181 5s.                         |

| <i>Debtor</i>                                                 | <i>Loyalist Creditor</i> | <i>Nature of Debt</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>Amount Paid to State</i> |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Joshua Hatfield                                               | Frederick Philipse       | Bond given in 1775                                                                                                                                                                                                               | £ 237 0s. 7d.               |
| Isaac Oakley                                                  | " "                      | Bond dated May 1, 1776                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 59 12s. 8d.                 |
| " "                                                           | " "                      | Bond given by Jonathan Purdy and Isaac Oakley for £350, "Interest at 7 per cent," dated Apr. 29, 1775                                                                                                                            | 389 11s. 11d.               |
| Arnold Hunt                                                   | " "                      | Bond for £100                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 125 3s. 5d.                 |
| Gilbert Brown                                                 | " "                      | Mortgage given by Jonathan Budd to Philipse for 750 Spanish milled dollars, dated Apr. 3, 1776. Budd sold the mortgaged premises (a house and 70 acre farm) to Gilbert Brown, who paid to the State the balance on the mortgage. | 495 0s. 4d.                 |
| Elizabeth Duncan, guardian of Charles Erskine Duncan, a minor | " "                      | Mortgage given by William Brown for £300, dated July 14, 1768. Charles E. Duncan was the devisee of the said William Brown                                                                                                       | 445                         |
| William Haight                                                | " "                      | Note for £45 given by his father                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 56 4s. 4d.                  |
| Henry Lambert                                                 | " "                      | Bond for £60, dated May, 1766                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 70 10s.                     |
| Israel Honeywell junior                                       | " "                      | Bond for £100                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 107 17s. 2d.                |
| Thomas Tompkins                                               | " "                      | Bond for £100                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 107 17s. 2d.                |
| Evert Brown                                                   | " "                      | Bond for £100                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 107 17s. 2d.                |
| Peter Forshee                                                 | " "                      | Bond for £ 50                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 53 10s.                     |
| John Bishop                                                   | " "                      | Bond for £120                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 152 11s.                    |

## Appendix 5. Abstract of Schedules of Losses and Determinations on the Claims of Loyalists from the Southern District of the State of New York<sup>1</sup>

Ackerly, Isaac, of Bedford, Westchester Co. (18:293; 29:141). Claimed for six horses taken in service (£212 Currency). Claim disallowed.

Ackerly, Obadiah, of Cortlandt Manor, Westchester Co. (18:545; 29:247; 11:82). Claimed for loss of seven horses (£131 Currency), two young cattle (£10), and household furniture, amounting in all to £260 Currency. Claim for horses lost in service disallowed. Awarded £20 Sterling for loss of other personal property.

Adams, Nathaniel, blacksmith, Westchester Co. (19:157; 29:279; 11:82). Claimed for house, barn, smith's shop, and five acres of land on the White Plains, house and land in Connecticut, and various articles of personal property, amounting in all to £404 4s. 0¾d. Sterling. Claim for horses lost in service disallowed. Claim for house and land in Connecticut disallowed, "being now in possession of his mother and not lost." Awarded £87 Sterling.

Airey, Mary, widow, N. Y. City (45:115; 6:630; 11:78). Had kept a lodging house. House, furniture, and effects, valued at £500 Sterling, burned in the great fire in 1776. Awarded £400 Sterling.

<sup>1</sup> It is important to note that there were many loyalists who were not attainted or convicted and whose estates were not confiscated, but who sustained losses during the Revolution and applied to the British Government for compensation. The information in this appendix is drawn entirely from the *Transcripts of the MSS Books and Papers of the Commission of Enquiry into the Losses and Services of the American Loyalists* (in the New York Public Library), and the volume and page references are, in every case, to these *Loyalist Transcripts*. The brief abstracts given here refer only to those loyalists from the Southern District who submitted claims and whose memorials and schedules of losses were transcribed for the New York Public Library. In their determinations on the claims of loyalists, the Commissioners were guided by certain principles. They disallowed all claims for uncultivated lands where the conditions of the grants had not been complied with, but allowed the purchase money when such lands had been the objects of sale and the expenses incurred in surveying and patenting lands held under grants from the Crown. They rejected claims for the loss of property purchased since the outbreak of hostilities, such purchases "having been made chiefly upon speculation when the value of property was fluctuating and always in full contemplation of the incidents and hazardous event of the War." They disallowed all claims for the loss of rents and profits of estates and all estimated profits of offices and professions which accrued

Allicocke, Joseph, wine merchant, N. Y. City (45:587; 4:696; 11:80). Claimed for loss of business, sundry goods taken by the Americans, and expenses, amounting in all to £2,287 Sterling. Awarded £400 Sterling.

Auchmuty, Mary, widow of Rev. Dr. Auchmuty, Rector of Trinity Church (45:171; 4:142; 11:80). Estimated losses in houses (destroyed by fire in New York on Sept. 22, 1776), bonds, paper currency, and various articles of personal property at £7,075 Sterling. Awarded £1,580 Sterling.

Auchmuty, Robert Nicholls, counsellor at law, eldest son of Rev. Dr. Auchmuty (42:419; 2:120; 11:80). Claimed for loss of his situation as "Attorney at Law and Notary Publick." Claim for loss of income per annum (£700 Sterling) disallowed.

Austin, Thomas, carpenter, N. Y. City (45:343; 11:80). Claimed for loss of house, destroyed by fire in Sept., 1776, valued at £120 Currency. Awarded £68 Sterling.

Avery, Alpheus, of Westchester Co. (43:495; 5:320; 11:80). Estimated his losses in lands, blacksmith's shop, houses, legacies, notes, and personal property at £2,365 Sterling. Could not produce proof of his property. Claim disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss."

Axtell, William, late member of His Majesty's Council in New York and Colonel Commandant of the Militia of Long Island (44:641; 6:560; 11:80). Estimate of losses: Estate in Kings Co., £9,234 Currency; Estate in N. Y. City, £2,889 5s. 8½d.; Estate in New Jersey, £12,000; Farm in Bedford, Westchester Co., £462; Five farms left him by will in North Carolina, £2,340; and debts due him, £18,781 16s. 8¾d., amounting in all to £45,707 2s. 5¼d. Currency or £25,710 6s. Sterling. Awarded £9,442 Sterling.

during the period of the war. They did not take into account claims for work done for, money expended on, or goods furnished to the British Army or Navy, which claims they conceived to be demands upon the Government and not coming under the denomination of "Losses in consequence of loyalty." They rejected claims for losses occasioned by the action of the American Army, except such as might have been occasioned by operations "directed particularly against individuals on account of their loyalty to His Majesty and Attachment to the British Government." They also rejected claims for losses and expenses sustained by the removal of effects or by maintenance of the claimants and their families during and after the war. They disallowed claims for losses sustained by the receipt of money or debts in depreciated paper currency or by the annihilation of the value of paper money issued by the provincial assemblies while under the British Government. Moreover, the Commissioners held it to be outside their province to advise compensation for debts due to claimants from subjects of the American States. These they did not consider as losses, the treaty of peace having provided that "creditors on either side shall meet with no lawful impediment to the recovery of the full value thereof in Sterling Money" (*Loyalist Transcripts*, 11:11).

Baker, John, blacksmith, Westchester Co. (18:493; 29:167; 11:98). Claimed for loss of cow (£7 10s. Currency), mare and colt (£25), horse (£11), mare (£10), book debts, cash, and expenses while in prison, amounting in all to £105 10s. Currency. Awarded £40 Sterling.

Bates, John, farmer, Westchester Co. (17:403; 29:69; 11:96). Claimed loss of 188 acre farm in Westchester Co., valued at £1,750 Currency, and a 50 acre farm in Orange Co., valued at £50 Currency. Claimed £868 11s. for personal property taken from him by British and American troops. Claim for fifty acres in Orange Co. disallowed, "there being no proof of loss." Claim for personal property taken by British and American troops also disallowed. Awarded £950 Sterling.

Bayard, Robert (42:339; 11:86). Estimated losses at £11,047 4s. 4½d. Sterling. Awarded £310 Sterling.

Bayard, William (42:177; 2:80; 5:562; 11:90). Estimated losses at £74,972 18s. 8d. Sterling. Awarded £18,457 18s. Sterling. Schedule of losses includes claims for damages done to real estate, property consumed by fire, losses sustained by withholding of rents, loss of personal property, loss of stock, loss of bonds and outstanding debts (£15,605 2s. 5d.), and loss of houses, city lots, and extensive tracts in New York and New Jersey.

Bedell, John and Mischeau, Benjamin, copartners in trade, of Staten Island (19:323; 29:325). Claimed the loss of £1,274 Currency in goods and cash. Claim submitted by Bedell, his partner having continued on Staten Island. Bedell's claim was disallowed, "being for his share of merchandize plundered on Staten Island by the Rebels while he was carrying on an advantageous trade."

Bennett, John, ship-carpenter and smoker of herrings, N. Y. City (45:123; 11:88). Lost three large houses and utensils erected for smoking and curing red herring. These houses were destroyed in the fire of 1776. Expended £600 Sterling in rebuilding the premises, which he was unable to dispose of before leaving New York. Awarded £900 Sterling on his claim for £1,275 Sterling.

Benson, Christopher, "a sea-faring man and kept a wine cellar," N. Y. City (18:107; 29:115; 11:96). Claimed for house and lot in N. Y. City, valued at £1,000 Currency, subject to mortgage. Later submitted an additional claim for loss of a 110 acre farm in Bergen Co., New Jersey. Had conveyed this farm to one Timothy Hurst "in order to save it . . . but it had not answered the intended purpose, as it has been sold and applied to the use of the State." After deducting for the mortgages on both estates, the Commissioners recommended £380 Sterling as compensation.

Berton, Peter, merchant, N. Y. City (19:471; 29:347; 11:98). Estimated losses "by sea and land" at £1,762 2s. 6d. Sterling. Awarded £665 Sterling. Claims for loss of an estate on Long Island "purchased during the Troubles" and for sundry articles plundered on Long Island disallowed.

Betts, Azor, "well known Practitioner of Physic in New York and noted for his success in innoculation," N. Y. City (19:487; 29:349; 11:98). Estimated his losses in property, income, and expenses at £500 Currency



Claim for half of a house in New York "purchased during the Troubles" was disallowed. Awarded £50 Sterling for loss of property and £120 Sterling for loss of income. Also given a pension of £60 Sterling.

Beyea, James, Westchester Co. (19:83; 29:417; 11:98). Claimed for loss of 230 acres of land in Westchester Co., valued at £300 Currency, 14 cows (£58), 2 horses (£50), 21 sheep (£12), 9 hogs (£18), farming utensils, furniture, pork, Indian corn, wheat, and hay, amounting in all to £576 Currency. Claim for farm disallowed "for want of proof of title or loss." Awarded £65 Sterling.

Billopp, Christopher, of Staten Island (41:53; 5:466; 11:88). His attainer induced him to part with his lands for what they would fetch, "subject as they were to seizure in case of an unfavorable issue." Sold his estate for £8,200 Currency and estimated his loss by this sale at £4,752 Currency. In addition, he sustained heavy losses from the incursions of the enemy and at the hands of the British. Awarded £400 Sterling.

Birks, George, butcher, N. Y. City (45:617; 7:346; 11:88). Claimed for loss of slaughter house, store, and stable (£600 Currency), debts, and various articles of personal property, amounting in all to £773 6s. 3d. Sterling. Awarded £100 Sterling.

Blauw, Waldron (44:577; 6:490; 11:88). Memorial submitted by Uriah Blauw, son and one of the executors of Waldron Blauw. Estimated losses in houses, city lots, lands, rents, and bonds at £7,982 1s. 10d. Sterling. Awarded £3,699 Sterling.

Bonnet, Isaac and David, of New Rochelle, Westchester Co. (17:173; 29:27; 11:96). The original estimate of their losses was £2,142 Currency, which included a claim for the loss of a 150 acre farm. When they managed to dispose of this property through one Abraham Gwyon, they withdrew this claim. Their claim for the loss of a sloop taken by the Americans was disallowed, "it appearing to have been employed in an advantageous trade at the Risque of the Claimants." Awarded £50 Sterling.

Booth, Benjamin, merchant, N. Y. City (45:297; 4:510; 11:94). Claimed loss of houses and store-houses in New York City, lands in New York and New Jersey, and personal property, amounting in all to £7,312 10s. Sterling. Claim disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss."

Bosworth, Thomas, cooper, N. Y. City (17:121; 29:13). Claimed for rent and materials of a house and store-house in N. Y. City taken by the Commissary General of the British Army and for expenses. Claim disallowed.

Brautigam, Frederick, baker, N. Y. City (44:689; 8:104; 11:94). Claimed for loss of dwelling houses, bake-houses, and other premises in Chatham Row, together with various articles of personal property, amounting in all to £716 Sterling. Claim disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss."

Brewerton, George, wine merchant, N. Y. City (46:524; 6:550; 11:92). Memorial submitted by his widow. Claimed for loss of houses and lots in N. Y. City, other lands in the state, and personal effects taken by the Americans, amounting in all to £2,899 13s. 9d. Sterling. The Commission-

ers, learning that the estate had not been confiscated and that Brewerton's losses arose from the destruction of several buildings in the first fire in Sept., 1776, recommended £550 as compensation.

Brown, John, of Westchester Co. (18:353; 29:137; 11:96). Claimed for loss of a house and five acres of land and several articles of personal property, amounting in all to £108 Sterling. Awarded £50 Sterling.

Brown, William, Westchester Co. (45:287; 11:90). Claimed £176 3s. 10½d. for the loss of personal property and for damage to his house and farm in the Township of Mamaroneck, Westchester Co. Awarded £75 Sterling.

Bulyea, Abraham, of Cortlandt Manor, Westchester Co. (19:609; 29:369). Claimed loss of house, 2½ acre lot, horse, cow, hog, and two young cattle, valued at £84 Currency. This claim "appear'd to the Commissioners fraudulent," and they disallowed it.

Bulyea, Henry, tenant-farmer, Manor of Cortlandt, Westchester Co. (19:605; 29:389; 11:98). Claimed loss of house and improvements on a 90 acre farm (£150 Currency) and various articles of personal property, valued in all at £246 10s. Currency. Awarded £51 Sterling.

Bulyea, James, of Cortlandt Manor, Westchester Co. (19:397; 29:329; 11:98). Claimed loss of personal property valued at £20 Sterling. Awarded £14 Sterling.

Bulyea, John, tenant-farmer on Philipse Manor, Westchester Co. (19:597; 29:391; 11:98). Claimed loss of 200 acre farm held by him as a tenant, house, cider mill, personal property, notes, and book debts, amounting in all to £847 2s. Currency. Awarded £110 Sterling. Of this sum, £50 were for his improvements on the farm tenanted by him.

Bulyea, Joseph, tenant-farmer, Manor of Cortlandt, Westchester Co. (19:393; 29:331; 11:98). Claimed the loss of stock taken by the Americans and a half interest in a farm of 180 acres, leased to him and his father by John Watts, amounting in all to £120 Sterling. Awarded £52 Sterling, of which £12 were for his improvements on the farm tenanted by him.

Burke, Samuel, negro (41:539; 11:94). According to his memorial, he was a native of South Carolina, came to N. Y. during the war, and became possessed of a house and garden through his marriage to a free Dutch mulatto woman. Claimed loss of this and other property, valued at £204 12s. Sterling. Claim disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss."

Burling, Samuel, merchant, N. Y. City (17:615; 29:93; 11:96). Claimed loss of annual rent of three large houses, several stores, warehouses, and a wharf in N. Y. City, amounting to £488 os. 5d. Sterling. Awarded £300 Sterling.

Carleton, Dennis, N. Y. City (43:57; 6:130; 11:106). Claimed for loss of house burned in fire of 1776 (£843 15s. Sterling), rent, a negro boy taken by the Rebels (£56 5s.), lands in Albany and Cumberland Counties, bills of credit, bonds, and various articles of personal property, amounting in all to £3,984 11s. 3d. Sterling. Awarded £645 Sterling.

Carpenter, Archelaus, Westchester Co. (29:375; 11:118). Memorial not transcribed. In their determinations on Carpenter's claim, the Commissioners disallowed his claim of an interest in 125 acres, which did not appear to be lost. He claimed £678 Sterling for loss of real and personal property. Awarded £273 Sterling.

Chatterton, John, Westchester Co. (18:265; 29:161; 11:118). Claimed loss of various articles of personal property, valued at £68 Currency. Had worked on a farm of one James McDonald of Bedford New Purchase. Awarded £28 Sterling.

Close, Abraham (19:57; 29:271; 11:118). Claimed loss of various articles of personal property on his father's farm, valued at £235 Currency. Awarded £67 Sterling.

Close, Benjamin, Westchester Co. (19:21; 29:261; 11:126). Claimed for loss of 150 acres in Salem, land in Vermont, and personal property, amounting in all to £736 17s. 6d. Sterling. Claim for land in Vermont disallowed. Awarded £375 Sterling.

Clossy, Samuel, Professor of Anatomy and Natural Philosophy in King's College (41:343; 4:328; 11:108). Claimed loss of income, bonds, money, and personal effects, valued in all at £753 18s. 6d. Sterling. Awarded £135 Sterling on claim for loss of property, and £160 Sterling for loss of income per annum.

Colden, David (19:431; 29:451; 11:204). Claimed for loss of estate in Queens Co., comprising spacious mansion house, outhouses, garden, orchard, and 300 acres of land, valued at £2,531 Sterling. Also claimed for lands in Albany, Ulster, and Tryon Counties. Valued entire estate at £11,985 3s. 3d. Sterling. George Duncan Ludlow, trustee for the children of David Colden, dec'd., was awarded £2,720 Sterling, distributable in the following proportions: £800 to Cadwallader David Colden, and £460 each to Alice, Mary, Elizabeth Ann, and Catherine Colden.

Cornwell, George, New Rochelle, Westchester Co. (17:181; 29:35; 11:116). Estimated losses in property and debts at £1,358 2s. 7d. Sterling. Schedule of property included a 72 acre farm in New Rochelle, which he valued, with the house and improvements thereon, at £1000 Currency. Awarded £350 Sterling, the Commissioners accepting only the claim for the 72 acre farm and the improvements thereon.

Cory, Griffin, Westchester Co. (19:523; 29:351; 11:118). Claim submitted by widow and son. Claimed loss of three tracts of land in Westchester Co., containing over 267 acres, with house and improvements thereon. Claimed also for loss of various articles of personal property. Total claim for loss of property was £2,356 6s. Awarded £686 Sterling.

Crawford, James, Westchester Co. (19:191; 29:289; 11:118). Claimed loss of 80 acre farm, house, and improvements, valued at £800 Currency. Claimed also loss of personal property, valued at £158 Currency. Awarded £255 Sterling.

Crawford, John, Westchester Co. (18:523; 29:249; 11:118). A shoe-maker. Claimed loss of 60 acre farm, with house, barn, and orchard, valued

at £500 Currency. Also claimed loss of stock. Total estimate of losses was £627 Currency. Awarded £145 Sterling.

Cruger, John Harris (42:435; 5:428; 11:112). Valued his dwelling house in New York at £1,200 Currency. Loss by schedule appears to have been near £6,000 Sterling. Claimed £3,472 15s. for loss of property. Awarded £928 Sterling.

Dale, Robert, merchant, N. Y. City (17:599; 29:85). Claimed for loss of vessels taken by the Americans, five chests of tea taken by the German Troops in New Jersey, and paper currency which depreciated in value. Total claim for loss of property was £1,319 1s. Sterling. Claim disallowed under the General Resolution.

Davenport, Samuel, tenant on Philipse Manor, Westchester Co. (17:425; 29:73; 11:134). Claimed for loss of a 200 acre farm in Philipse Manor, with house, barn, stock, grain, and farm utensils, valued at £1,200 Currency. Also claimed for loss of personal effects and notes due him. Total estimate of loss was £805 os. 4d. Sterling. Awarded £260, of which £200 Sterling were for his improvements on the farm tenanted by him.

Dawson, John, merchant, N. Y. City (43:71; 2:90; 11:132). Claimed loss of personal property valued at £12,467 13s. 4d. Sterling. According to his memorial, his partner in trade, Patrick Dennis, a Whig, converted his share to his own use "because he had not taken part with the Americans." Claim disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss."

Deas, James, hair dresser, N. Y. City (45:651; 11:128). Estimated losses at £513 10s. 1½d. Sterling, of which £499 8s. 10½d. were for personal property, and the remainder for his expenses in a suit brought against him under the Trespass Act. Awarded £300 Sterling.

DeLancey, James, N. Y. City (41:269; 2:72; 11:128). Valued his real estate in the whole State at £53,446 15s. 1¼d. Sterling. Estimated value of his New York City holdings at £45,393 15s. Sterling. Claimed £56,781 17s. Sterling for loss of property. Awarded £29,848 12s. Sterling.

DeLancey, James, Westchester Co. (41:253; 5:512; 11:128). Valued his estate in Westchester Co., comprising 193 acres with improvements thereon, at £2,250 Sterling. Claimed also for loss of bonds due him and various articles of personal property. Total estimate of loss was £3,009 12s. 5d. Sterling. Awarded £2,300 Sterling.

DeLancey, Oliver (41:101; 2:86; 5:638; 11:130). Had 551 tenants on his estates in New York and New Jersey. Income from landed estates prior to the war was £3,200 per annum. Believed his income would have risen to £10,000 a year by 1784, were it not for the war. Valued his real estate in New York and New Jersey at £115,100 10s. 6d. Sterling. Estimated losses in lands and debts at £108,957 10s. 1d. Sterling. According to the Commissioners' reports, he claimed £78,016 Sterling for his loss of property. Awarded £23,446 Sterling.

Derry, James, Westchester Co. (24:409; 31:545; 11:138). Estimated losses in improvements on a lot which he was obliged to leave behind,



personal property, and expenses in suit brought against him for cutting timber for King's use at £109 Currency. Awarded £30 Sterling.

Derry, John, Westchester Co. (24:407; 31:547; 11:138). Claimed loss of personal property, valued at £120 13s. Currency. Awarded £35 Sterling.

Devereux, James, mariner, N. Y. City (42:17; 11:134). Claimed loss of £6,537 16s. 1d. Sterling from different adventures in trade. Also claimed loss of £4,004 12s. 4d. Sterling in debts due him prior to the war. His debtors were all loyalists who had lost their property and were thereby rendered unable to pay. Claim disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss."

Devoe, Frederick, New Rochelle, Westchester Co. (17:163; 29:25; 11:134). Estimated losses at £2,672 17s. 4d. Sterling. Schedule of losses included a house and 300 acre farm within twenty miles of N. Y. City, which he valued, together with the improvements thereon, at £2,000 Currency. Also claimed for a house and 107 acre farm within 25 miles of N. Y. City, valued at £1,000 Currency. Also claimed interest in brother's estate and loss of various articles of personal property. Withdrew claim for share in his brother's estate, which was not lost. Awarded £1,250 Sterling.

Eagles, John (19:419; 29:345; 11:142). Estimated losses of real and personal property at £1,269 Currency. Claim for two houses in New York City disallowed, these having been purchased "during the Troubles." Awarded £20 Sterling as compensation for some stock and farming utensils taken from his house at the White Plains.

Embree, Joseph, Westchester Co. (18:431; 31:543). Claimed loss of horses, wearing apparel, and cash, valued in all at £220 4s. Currency. Claim disallowed.

Embree, Samuel, Westchester Co. (18:379; 29:203; 11:142). Claimed loss of 120 acre farm, house, and improvements, valued at £1,000 Currency. Also claimed loss of stock and personal effects. Total estimate of loss was £722 16s. 3d. Sterling. His estate was not confiscated but was sold under the Trespass Act to Colonel Lewis Morris, who had brought suit against him for having cut his timber to make oars for the use of the British. Awarded £540 Sterling.

Fenton, David, master of vessel, N. Y. (45:557; 4:20; 5:340; 11:144). Estimated losses at £895 Sterling. Awarded £350 Sterling. Had sold his N. Y. property and did not include it in schedule of losses.

Ferris, Joshua, Westchester Co. (18:313; 29:165; 11:148). Estimated losses in land and personal effects at £172 Currency. Was awarded £70 Sterling as compensation for his share of a legacy payable to his wife from her father's estate, seized by the Americans under the Trespass Act.

Fisher, Thomas, merchant, N. Y. City (45:477; 11:144). Estimated losses in property, merchandize, debts, and depreciated paper money at £3,710 Sterling. Awarded £300 Sterling.

Flewelling, Francis, Westchester Co. (19:271; 29:317; 11:148). Lost personal property valued at £246 Currency. Awarded £35 Sterling.



Flewelling, Thomas, North Castle, Westchester Co. (19:533; 29:355; 11:148). Claimed for loss of 275 acres of land with improvements and personal property, amounting in all to £801 4s. 6d. Sterling. Awarded £570 Sterling.

Floyd, Richard, Suffolk Co. (17:499; 29:79; 11:148). Valued his estate at £5,523 15s. Sterling. Claim for six negroes and personal property disallowed, "they not appearing to be confiscated and still in possession of his brother and son." Awarded £2,310 Sterling.

Folliott, George, merchant, N. Y. City (45:495; 11:146). Estimated total losses in lands throughout the State, estate in New Jersey, debts due him, depreciation of colonial currencies, and other damages at £43,856 4s. Sterling. Awarded £4,200 Sterling.

Fowler, Amos, Westchester Co. (18:541; 29:235). Claimed loss of nine months' wages, having served under Col. Archibald Hamilton. Claimed £94 10s. Currency. Disallowed.

Fowler, Jonathan, Township of North Castle, Westchester Co. (18:221; 29:245). Claimed loss of 40 acres of land in North Castle, improvements thereon, and stock and grain taken by the Americans. Estimated losses at £511 Currency. Claim rejected on personal examination of claimant "for insufficiency of reason assigned for not claiming under the Act of Parliament passed in 1783."

Fowler, Solomon, Westchester Co. (18:133; 29:121; 11:148). Claim submitted by widow. Claimed loss of house and well-improved 200 acre farm in Westchester Co., valued at £2,000 Currency. Also claimed loss of stock, crops, farm implements, and bond. Estimated total losses at £2,470 Currency. Awarded £860 Sterling.

Free, William, Cortlandt Manor, Westchester Co. (19:581; 29:385). Estimated losses at £38 Sterling. Claim disallowed, "being very trifling and mostly for fines for not serving with the Rebels."

French, Joseph, Long Island (45:661; 11:146). Property in N. Y. not confiscated. New Jersey holdings confiscated and sold. Estimated losses in lands, bonds, and cash at £1,406 9s. 3d. Sterling. Awarded £500 Sterling.

Gidney, John (17:537; 29:81; 11:160). Of New Rochelle, Westchester Co. Claim submitted by widow. Estimated losses in land, stock, and personal effects at £400 Sterling. Awarded £250 Sterling, of which £200 were for the loss of a 159 acre farm, house, and improvements in New Rochelle.

Gidney, Joseph, Westchester Co. (17:219; 29:37; 11:160). Claimed loss of farm, house, and improvements in Westchester Co., dock and house in N. Y. City, and stock and other personal property. Estimated total loss at £1,672 5s. Sterling. Awarded £960 Sterling, of which £900 were for loss of 150 acres in Westchester Co.

Gleeson, John, North Castle Township, Westchester Co. (18:405; 29:205; 11:160). Claimed loss of 120 acre farm, stock, and debts. Estimated loss in property at £450 18s. 6d. Sterling, and in debts, £579 15s. 2d. Sterling. Claim for 120 acre farm disallowed, having been purchased "during the Troubles." Awarded £86 Sterling.

Golding, Nathaniel, North Castle, Westchester Co. (18:339; 29:145). Claimed £163 Currency for loss of horses, cattle, house, expenses, and personal effects. Claim disallowed.

Golding, John, tenant on Cortlandt Manor, Westchester Co. (19:111; 29:277; 11:160). Claimed £190 Sterling for loss of improvements, stock, and personal effects. Awarded £90 Sterling, of which £40 were for his improvements on the farm tenanted by him.

Golding, Joseph, Westchester Co. (19:127; 29:275; 11:160). Claimed loss of 60 acres in North Castle, improvements on a 215 acre farm in Cortlandt Manor, and stock. Estimated property losses at £300 Sterling. Awarded £176 Sterling, of which £60 were for the 60 acres in North Castle after deducting mortgage, and £80 for improvements on farm in Cortlandt Manor.

Green, Thomas, Cortlandt Manor, Westchester Co. (20:19; 29:383; 11:160). Claim submitted by widow. Claimed £65 4s. Sterling for loss of house, personal property, and husband's wages. Awarded £12 Sterling.

Grey, William, Westchester Co. (19:243; 29:301; 11:160). Estimated losses in stock, personal effects, and damages at £429 11s. 6d. Sterling. Awarded £151 Sterling.

Haines, Joseph, Westchester Co. (20:71; 29:439; 11:176). Claimed loss of 50 acres in Harrison's Precinct, Westchester Co. (£400 Currency) and personal property (£250 Currency). Awarded £60 Sterling.

Hake, Samuel, merchant, N. Y. City (41:375; 2:134; 11:174). Estimated losses in property and debts at £73,502 16s. 10d. Currency. Claim disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss."

Hallett, Samuel, of Long Island (18:561; 29:265; 11:176). Claimed £1,003 12s. 6d. Sterling for various losses. Awarded £162 Sterling.

Hamilton, Alexander Mark Kerr, of Long Island (46:20; 7:584; 11:174). Son of Col. Archibald Hamilton. Estimated losses in lands left to him by his grandfather, Alexander Colden, and other relatives at £3,607 Sterling. Claim disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss."

Hamilton, Archibald, of Flushing, Long Island (46:5; 6:304; 7:378; 11:172). Claimed loss of house and 200 acres of land in Flushing with other improvements, valued at £3,000 Sterling. Also claimed for lands in Cumberland and Gloucester Counties, two negroes who joined the Americans (£115 10s. Sterling), and personal property consumed in fire. Estimated total losses at £9,395 10s. Sterling. Awarded £1,646 Sterling. According to information he received from his nephew and others, his estate was seized under the Trespass Act.

Hamilton, Colin, N. Y. City (24:287; 31:347; 11:180). Claimed loss of £68 16s. Currency for carpenter's tools and clothing. Awarded £37 Sterling.

Hardy, John Oakes (46:427; 11:166). Claim submitted in behalf of his wife, who was a daughter of Dr. Peter Middleton and granddaughter of Richard Nichols, both decd. Claimed for loss of bonds and property destroyed in fire of 1776. Estimated total losses at £953 6s. 8d. Sterling. Awarded £360 Sterling.

Hartshorne, Lawrence, N. Y. City (17:19; 29:5). Claimed £19 2s. 8d. Sterling for supplying the British with provisions. Disallowed.

Hatfield, Isaac junior, Westchester Co. (18:215; 29:253; 11:176). Claimed £285 17s. 3d. Sterling for loss of stock, money, clothes, and house burned by Americans. Awarded £80 Sterling.

Haviland, Gilbert, Westchester Co. (18:501; 29:169). Claimed £76 4s. Currency for loss of horses. Disallowed.

Heron, Isaac, watchmaker and dealer in plate and jewelry, N. Y. City (45:329; 8:230; 11:168). Estimated total losses of property, income, expenses, and damages at £4,373 16s. 8d. Awarded £100 Sterling.

Hill, John, inn-keeper, of Brooklyn (17:467; 29:75; 11:176). Claimed loss of £1,436 Sterling in property in Brooklyn, personal effects, income, expenses, and debts. Claim for house and lot in Brooklyn disallowed, having been purchased "during the Troubles." Claim for wife's share in house and lot in Bushwick disallowed, "as it does not appear to have been lost." Awarded £215 Sterling.

Holliday, Samuel, cooper, Westchester Co. (18:497; 29:171). Claimed loss of horse and clothes, valued at £41 Currency. Disallowed.

Holmes, James, of Bedford, Westchester Co. (23:5; 30:431; 11:180). Claimed loss of 273 acre farm in Bedford (£1,500 Currency), negro (£75), horse (£40), and several bonds and notes. Estimated total loss in property and debts at £1,579 2s. 6d. Sterling. Awarded £612 Sterling.

Holmes, Lorenda and Smith, Mary, N. Y. City (46:534; 6:72; 8:52; 11:172). Lorenda Holmes was niece of Mary Smith, and the latter was the widow of Edward Smith. Estimated loss of £791 4s. 1d. Sterling in real and personal property. Awarded £400 Sterling.

Horton, James, Westchester Co. (17:265; 30:523; 11:180). Estimated losses of real and personal property at £1,385 3s. 2d. Sterling. Claim for real property disallowed for want of proof of loss. Awarded £100 Sterling.

Horton, Solomon, of Philipse Manor, Westchester Co. (18:357; 29:147; 11:176). Claimed loss of the farm tenanted by him, comprising about 130 acres, improvements thereon, stock, cash, and other articles of personal property. Estimated losses at £961 10s. Currency. Claim for leasehold estate disallowed, it "not being lost but now in possession of his father." Awarded £60 Sterling.

Houseal, Bernard Michael, formerly Minister of the German Protestant Trinity Church, one of the Governors of King's College, and Translator of the German, English, and French Languages to His Majesty's British and Foreign Troops (43:667; 7:516; 11:168). Claimed loss of £1,311 10s. in property and income. Awarded £450 Sterling for loss of property and £160 Sterling for loss of income per annum.

Huggeford, Peter, physician, Westchester Co. (43:373; 7:502, 640; 11:168). Estimated losses in lands, debts, income, expenses, and personal property at £3,831 1s. 6d. Sterling. Awarded £940 Sterling for loss of property and £320 Sterling for loss of income per annum.

Hughes, Thomas, N. Y. City (43: 523; 4: 540; 11: 170). Claimed loss of two houses in N. Y. and house and farm in New Jersey, valued at £791 13s. 4d. Sterling. Awarded £290 Sterling.

Hughston, James, storekeeper, Queens Co. (17: 461; 8: 508; 29: 427). Claimed loss of house and personal property, valued at £2,210 12s. 6d. Sterling. Claim disallowed for property appeared to have been burned by accident.

Hull, Robert, inn-keeper, N. Y. City (44: 699; 6: 88; 11: 170). Estimated losses in lands, personal property, debts, and depreciated currency at £1,015 4s. 3¾d. Sterling. Awarded £100 Sterling.

Hunt, Benjamin, Westchester Co. (18: 147; 29: 133; 11: 176). Estimated losses in lands, stock, and personal effects taken by the British and Americans at £1,798 17s. 6d. Sterling. Awarded £1,585 Sterling.

Hunt, Enoch, of Frog's Neck, Westchester Co. (17: 383; 29: 455; 11: 178). Estimated losses in lands, stock, farm implements, and other personal effects at £4,860 Currency. Also claimed £477 14s. for various articles of personal property taken from his farm by the British troops. Total claim for loss of property was £3,002 Sterling. Awarded £455 Sterling.

Hunt, Joshua, Westchester Co. (17: 413; 29: 67; 11: 202). Claim submitted by widow. Claimed for improvements on a 400 acre farm in Philipse Manor and for loss of personal property taken by the Americans. Total claim for loss of property was £631 2s. 6d. Sterling. Withdrew claim for improvements on leasehold premises. Awarded £150 Sterling.

Hunter, John, of Philipse Manor, Westchester Co. (18: 421; 29: 207; 11: 176). Claimed loss of personal property valued at £143 13s. Currency. Awarded £25 Sterling.

Hyatt, Nathaniel, Westchester Co. (18: 435; 29: 209). Claimed £60 Currency for loss of personal property. Disallowed.

Inglis, Charles, Doctor of Divinity, late Rector of the Parish of Trinity Church in N. Y. City (42: 541; 6: 24; 11: 182). Estimated losses in lands, bonds, and income at £7,712 10s. 10d. Sterling. Awarded £4,135 Sterling for loss of property and £220 Sterling for loss of income per annum.

Jacobs, John, Westchester Co. (18: 335; 29: 173; 11: 186). Estimated losses in stock and personal effects at £208 7s. 4d. Currency. Awarded £12 Sterling as compensation for loss of cattle taken from father's farm.

Jauncey, James (43: 315; 11: 182). Estimated total losses in houses, lots, lands, and bonds at £50,909 12s. 6d. Sterling. Awarded £10,360 Sterling on claim for loss of property.

Jenkins, Richard, N. Y. City (18: 11; 29: 429). Claimed loss of property in N. Y. City of which he became possessed by marriage to the widow of William Papplesderf, baker. Estimated losses at £810 Sterling. Claim disallowed, "being for the property of his wife and now in possession of his family."

Jones, Thomas, late Judge of the Supreme Court (45: 347; 4: 382; 11: 184). Estimated loss of real estate in N. Y. City, Queens, Westchester,



Ulster, and Tryon Counties at £9,478 15s. 4d. Sterling. Total claim for loss of property was £12,631 Sterling. Awarded £5,522 Sterling.

Kennedy, Archibald, of N. Y. and N. J. (45: 635; 4: 532; 11: 192). Estimated losses of houses in N. Y. destroyed by fire, rents from N. J. estate, and damages at £4,898 11s. 5d. Sterling. Claimed £4,855 Sterling for loss of property. Awarded £1,256 Sterling.

King, David, negro, shoemaker, N. Y. (41: 555; 5: 202; 11: 192). Claimed loss of personal property valued at £30 Sterling. Claim disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss."

Kipp, James, Westchester Co. (20: 291; 31: 41; 11: 194). Claim submitted by widow. Claimed loss of interest in farm in North Castle and loss of personal property. Estimated losses at £277 13s. 9d. Sterling. Awarded £150 Sterling.

Kipp, Samuel, Westchester Co. (18: 271; 29: 157; 11: 194). Claimed loss of interest in farm of deceased father, Benjamin Kipp, and various articles of personal property. Estimated losses at £463 19s. Sterling. Claim for negro who deserted to the Americans (£50 Currency) disallowed. Awarded £178 Sterling.

Knapp, Titus, North Castle, Westchester Co. (18: 389; 29: 197; 11: 194). Claimed loss of personal property and debts, valued at £93 7s. 6d. Sterling. Awarded £10 Sterling.

Law, Henry, merchant, N. Y. City (45: 443; 7: 52; 11: 196). Estimated losses in personal property, bonds, and depreciated currency at £1,171 14s. Sterling. Awarded £700 Sterling.

Leach, Catherine, grocer (45: 577; 11: 196). Claimed loss of personal property and income valued at £1,040 Sterling. Awarded £200 Sterling.

Leadbetter, James, brewer, N. Y. City (46: 25; 6: 228; 11: 196). Claimed loss of £1,599 4s. Currency in personal property, paper money, and expenses. Awarded £400 Sterling.

Lewis, John, milkman, N. Y. City (41: 365; 6: 28; 11: 196). Claimed £684 3s. 4d. Sterling for loss of houses in N. Y., farm and houses in N. J., and three horses. Awarded £311 Sterling.

Lloyd, Michael (18: 519; 29: 227). Claimed £187 6s. 8d. Currency for six horses and one saddle. Claim disallowed.

Long, William, schoolmaster, N. Y. City (45: 417; 7: 358; 11: 196). Had kept "a very reputable extensive Boarding School for young ladies." Claimed £2,400 for loss of property, income, and profits. Claimed £225 Sterling for loss of property. Awarded £200 Sterling. Also allowed £100 Sterling for loss of income and a £50 pension.

Low, Isaac, merchant, N. Y. City (43: 139; 5: 690; 6: 584; 11: 198). Estimated total loss in houses, lands, and debts at £19,228 10s. Sterling. Awarded £5,195 Sterling on claim for loss of property.

Ludlow, Gabriel G., Queens Co. (19: 405; 29: 361; 5: 646; 11: 202). Estimated losses in real estate and bonds at £10,052 Sterling. Withdrew claim for lands in N. J. and in Ulster Co. Final claim for loss of property was £2,500 Sterling. Awarded £1,450 Sterling.



Ludlow, George Duncan, Queens Co. (41:499; 5:310; 11:198). Estimated losses in real and personal property at £7,000 Sterling. Awarded £2,500 Sterling.

Lynch, Thomas, merchant, N. Y. City (46:496; 6:614; 8:44; 11:198). Estimated losses in house destroyed by fire, lands in Vermont, brig, cargo, expenses, income, debts due him in America, and debts due him from bankrupt Tories at £33,855 17s. 1½d. Sterling. Awarded £250 Sterling.

Mabee, Peter, Westchester Co. (18:289; 29:135). Claimed loss of personal property, valued at £168 12s. 8d. Currency. Claim rejected on personal examination of claimant.

McDonald, Alexander, Staten Island (45:71; 11:208). Estimated losses of property and debts at £13,250 2s. 9d. Sterling. Awarded £772 Sterling.

McDonald, Thomas, boatman, Westchester Co. (19:545; 29:365; 11:222). Estimated losses in lands, stock, and personal effects at £138 Currency. Awarded £22 Sterling, of which £7 were for 2½ acres at North Castle and £10 for improvements on 10 acres of land in Philipse Manor.

McDonogh, Thomas, on behalf of Rachel Dawson, his mother-in-law, George Dawson, Charlotte Dawson, and himself (45:91; 4:538; 11:208). Claimed for loss of estate on Staten Island, lands in North Carolina, personal effects plundered by Americans, and debts. Estimated losses at £5,057 6s. 3d. Claimed £3,720 Sterling for loss of property. Awarded £1,000 Sterling.

Mason, Thomas, housekeeper, N. Y. City (45:385; 6:610; 11:212). Estimated losses at £379 14s. 1d. Sterling. Awarded £150 Sterling.

Matthews, David (41:471; 5:682; 11:214). Estimated losses in lands, debts, and paper money at £4,307 8s. 4d. Sterling. Claimed £2,059 17s. Sterling for loss of property. Awarded £250 Sterling.

Mellows, David Henry (18:63; 29:111). Claimed £466 13s. 4d. Sterling for his interest in a brig taken by the Americans. Disallowed.

Merritt, James, Westchester Co. (18:425; 29:195; 11:222). Claimed for various articles of personal property valued at £122 12s. 6d. Sterling. Awarded £57 Sterling.

Merritt, Jeremiah, weaver, North Castle, Westchester Co. (18:285; 29:159; 11:222). Claimed loss of stock and personal effects valued at £147 14s. Currency. Awarded £25 Sterling.

Merritt, Nathaniel, Westchester Co. (19:375; 29:333; 11:222). Estimated loss in house, storehouse, vessel, stock, and personal effects at £416 5s. Sterling. Awarded £215 Sterling.

Miller, Moses, tenant, Philipse Manor, Westchester Co. (19:167; 29:283; 11:222). Estimated losses in farm, improvements, grain, and stock at £698 12s. Currency. Awarded £98 Sterling, of which £50 were for his improvements on the 150 acre farm tenanted by him.

Mills, Thomas, cartman, N. Y. (18:57; 29:107). Claimed £502 17s. 6d. for loss of two houses and cash. Disallowed.

Montesor, John (45:377; 11:214). Claimed loss of £3,450 Sterling in personal property and damages to 150 acre estate near Hell Gate. Awarded £1,000 Sterling.

Moore, Lambert, N. Y. City (46:565; 2:112; 8:464; 11:218). Estimated losses in houses and income at £1,481 18s. 8½d. Sterling. Awarded £500 Sterling on claim for loss of property, £500 Sterling for loss of income, and a pension of £240 Sterling.

Moorhouse, Jonathan, Westchester Co. (17:287; 29:45; 11:220). Estimated property losses at £140 12s. 6d. Sterling. Awarded £110 Sterling.

Morehouse, Daniel, Cortlandt Manor, Westchester Co. (20:5; 29:401; 11:222). Held land as tenant under DeLancey. Claimed £111 3s. Sterling for loss of property. Awarded £20 Sterling, of which £15 were for his improvements on farm tenanted by him.

Morris, Roger (43:283; 11:216). Claimed £61,891 Sterling for loss of property. Awarded £5,503 10s. Sterling. Col. Roger Morris and Mary, his wife, were awarded £12,344 10s. for the value of their life interest in their estate in Dutchess County (11:218).

Muirson, Benjamin Woolsey, Suffolk Co. (46:442; 6:480; 11:220). Estimated losses in personal property plundered by the Americans and in bonds at £1,809 8s. 2¾d. Sterling. Claim disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss."

Muirson, George, Suffolk Co. (17:483; 29:77; 11:238). Estimated losses in property and debts at £2,949 1s. 4d. Sterling. Claimed £2,354 12s. for loss of property. Awarded £660 Sterling.

Nayler, Michael, mariner, N. Y. City (45:453; 11:240). Estimated losses in house and lot, sloop, and personal property at £341 18s. 9d. Sterling. Awarded £240 Sterling.

Newstead, John, coachman, N. Y. City (43:533; 5:304; 11:240). Estimated losses in personal property at £285 Sterling. Awarded £150 Sterling.

Ogden, Benjamin, North Castle, Westchester Co. (46:598; 11:244). Estimated losses in houses, lands, improvements, two negro slaves, stock, and personal effects at £3,467 8s. 5d. Sterling. Awarded £2,100 Sterling.

Ogden, Benjamin, house carpenter and joiner, N. Y. City (19:281; 29:413; 11:320). Claim submitted by widow, Rachel Wetmore. Estimated losses in business, wages, and personal property at £525 3s. 4d. Sterling. Awarded £60 Sterling.

Ogden, John, Cortlandt Manor, Westchester Co. (19:569; 29:403; 11:246). Claimed loss of £58 2s. 9d. Sterling in stock and personal effects. Awarded £52 Sterling.

Orser, Joseph, tenant, Philipse Manor, Westchester Co. (22:213; 30:273; 11:246). Estimated losses in farms, stock, and personal effects at £1,286 18s. Currency. His son, Arthur Orser, was awarded £120 Sterling.

Palmer, Benjamin, Westchester Co. (17:377; 29:65). Claimed loss of £286 15s. Currency for stock and personal effects plundered by British and American troops. Disallowed.

Palmer, Edmund Fowler, Westchester Co. (17:145; 29:19; 11:254). An infant, only child of Edmund Palmer, loyalist who was executed as a traitor for his adherence to the King. Petition submitted by Alpheus Palmer.

Claimed loss of 100 acre farm in Cortlandt Manor (£300 Currency), two negroes (£160), stock, and personal effects. Estimated losses at £1,053 12s. Currency. Awarded £200 Sterling.

Palmer, Gideon, Westchester Co. (18:505; 29:233; 11:254). Claimed loss of negroes, stock, and sloop. Estimated losses at £300 7s. 6d. Sterling. Awarded £20 Sterling.

Palmer, Lewis, Cortlandt Manor, Westchester Co. (17:129; 29:17; 11:254). Claim submitted by son, Alpheus Palmer. Estimated losses in real and personal property at £4,569 17s. Currency. Awarded £1,470 Sterling.

Pearce, Samuel, merchant, N. Y. City (46:411; 11:252). Claimed loss of £1,950 Sterling by disadvantageous sale of vessels, stock, and personal effects. Claim disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss."

Peemart, Francis, Westchester Co. (20:95; 29:195; 11:256). Estimated losses in farms, houses, improvements, sloop, personal effects, and debts at £3,337 14s. Currency. Awarded £700 Sterling.

Pell, Joshua, Pelham Manor, Westchester Co. (17:95; 29:11; 11:254). Claimed loss of 200 acre farm in Pelham Manor, with three houses, two orchards, and other improvements, valued at £4,000 Currency. Also claimed loss of 20 lots and improvements, purchased from James DeLancey, valued at £4,000 Currency. Also lost much stock and personal effects at hands of British, Hessian, and American troops. Estimated total losses at £6,187 4s. 3½d. Sterling. Awarded £1,630 Sterling.

Perce, Joseph, tailor, Philipse Manor, Westchester Co. (18:465; 29:191; 11:254). Estimated losses in stock and debts at £120 Currency. Awarded £15 Sterling.

Philipse, Frederick (41:575; 6:150; 11:250). Memorial contains a long record of losses of real estate, rents, personal property, and debts. According to the "Summary of the Proceedings of the Commissioners" (*Loyalist Transcripts*, Vol. 11), Frederick Philipse claimed £1,644 9s. Sterling for his loss of property and was awarded £672 Sterling.

Philipse, Frederick junior (41:635; 6:410; 11:250). Eldest son of Frederick Philipse. Claimed father's estate as Tenant in Tail after father's death. Claimed £155,328 Sterling for loss of this property. Awarded £51,660 Sterling.

Plenderleath, John, N. Y. City (45:5; 6:426; 11:250). Estimated losses in house in N. Y., real estate in Vermont, and debts at £7,441 13s. 1½d. Sterling. Awarded £400 Sterling.

Polhemus, John, Queens Co. (18:175; 29:239; 11:254). Estimated losses at £1,350 Sterling. Awarded £800 Sterling.

Proctor, William, merchant, N. Y. City (21:501; 30:187; 46:417; 11:252). Estimated losses in three houses destroyed by British troops and in rents at £1,444 Sterling. Claim disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss."

Pugsley, Gilbert, of Philipse Manor, Westchester Co. (19:399; 29:337; 11:254). Claimed £729 15s. Sterling for loss of rent of farm in Philipse Manor (had sold the lease to his brother) and various articles of personal

property. Claim for seven years' rent of farm disallowed. Awarded £87 Sterling.

Pugsley, John, Philipse Manor, Westchester Co. (18:393; 29:225; 11:255). Claimed £478 Currency for loss of personal property. Awarded £12 Sterling.

Purdy, Gabriel, Philipse Manor, Westchester Co. (18:415; 29:221; 11:254). Claimed loss of house and improvements on leasehold farm in Philipse Manor, stock, share in a legacy, and personal effects, valued in all at £623 7s. 11d. Currency. Awarded £50 Sterling, as his "interest in improvements on a farm at Philipse Manor."

Purdy, Gilbert, Westchester Co. (18:469; 29:187). Claimed £75 2s. 6d. Sterling for loss of personal property and debts. Disallowed.

Purdy, Henry, Westchester Co. (18:455; 29:193; 11:254). Estimated losses in property and debts at £854 10s. 2d. Sterling. Awarded £280 Sterling, of which £120 were for loss of 44¾ acres on the White Plains.

Purdy, Stephen, North Castle, Westchester Co. (18:535; 30:17; 11:256). Claimed loss of 180 acre farm with improvements in North Castle, stock, and personal effects, valued in all at £1,316 Currency. Awarded £500 Sterling, of which £400 were for the farm and improvements in Township of North Castle.

Quill, Thomas, mariner, N. Y. City (45:161; 6:170; 11:260). Estimated losses in rent, debts, and personal effects at £1,386 os. 2d. Sterling. Claim disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss."

Rapalje, Abraham, Kings Co. (19:89; 31:537; 11:308). Claim submitted by Richard Vanderburgh and Chichey, his wife, widow of Abraham Rapalje. Claimed £675 Sterling for loss of 31½ acre farm and improvements in Bushwick. Awarded £310 Sterling.

Rapalje, John, Kings Co. (44:547; 6:590; 11:262). Estimated losses in lands in Kings, Albany, and Tryon Counties at £20,611 2s. 6d. Sterling. Awarded £10,587 Sterling.

Read, William, Westchester Co. (17:111; 29:15; 11:272). Estimated losses in farm, houses, lots, and personal property taken by British and American troops at £2,089 6s. Currency. Awarded £168 15s. Sterling.

Roberts, John, N. Y. City (45:139; 5:502; 8:50; 11:262). Claim submitted by his children, John Roberts and Mary Paschall. Estimated loss of personal property destroyed in fire at £200 Sterling. Awarded £200 Sterling.

Robinson, Beverley (43:203; 4:654; 5:668; 11:262). Valued his real and personal estate at £79,980 5s. Sterling. Claimed £68,784 Sterling for loss of property. Awarded £34,087 12s. Sterling.

Robinson, George, flax dresser and spinner, N. Y. City (45:45; 4:392; 11:262). Claimed £200 Sterling for loss of personal property. Awarded £100 Sterling.

Roome, John Le Chevalier, attorney, N. Y. City (46:326; 6:406; 11:264). Claimed loss of £1,103 Sterling in personal property, income, and debts. Awarded £200 Sterling.

Rundle, Jabez (18:451; 29:219). Claimed £28 for horse lost in service. Disallowed.



Ryan, Thomas, cartman, N. Y. City (41:217; 4:100; 11:264). Estimated losses in personal property and income at £378 Sterling. Awarded £80 Sterling.

Ryan, William, N. Y. City (42:607; 4:118; 11:266). Claimed loss of £1,003 7s. 5d. Sterling in house, lot, and personal property. Claim disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss."

Sanford, Ephraim, Salem, Westchester Co. (23:21; 7:524; 30:421; 11:290). Claimed £1,032 3s. Sterling for loss of property. Awarded £190 Sterling.

Saxton, William, Westchester Co. (18:247; 29:241; 11:286). Estimated losses in real and personal property, expenses, and debts at £1,089 12s. 6d. Currency. Awarded £200 Sterling, of which £70 were for his improvements on a farm belonging to John DeLancey in Westchester Co.

Seabury, David, merchant, N. Y. City (17:201; 29:31). Estimated losses in property and debts at £970 4s. 2d. Sterling. Claim disallowed, the whole claim being for provincial paper money. Claimant recovered a considerable part of his debts.

Seabury, Samuel, Doctor of Divinity and Missionary from the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, Westchester Co. (41:559; 7:84; 11:280). Claimed loss of personal property valued at £50 Sterling. Awarded £30 Sterling.

Seaman, Benjamin, Staten Island (18:553; 29:259). Claimed £5,046 Sterling for loss of property. Claim disallowed, "being for lands which Benjamin Seaman sold in his lifetime except only 79 acres in New York which are likely to be secured by the Family."

Seaman, Jacomiah, White Plains, Westchester Co. (18:487; 29:183; 11:284). Estimated losses in personal property at £292 2s. 8d. Currency. Awarded £48 Sterling.

Sears, Joseph, Westchester Co. (18:329; 29:181; 11:284). Estimated losses in house, 28 acres on Harrison's Purchase, stock, and expenses at £200 14s. 8d. Currency. Awarded £39 Sterling.

Shaw, James, broker and vendue master, N. Y. City (24:399; 31:495; 11:290). Claimed £265 Sterling for loss of personal effects, income, and debts. Awarded £50 Sterling.

Simpson, Sarah, widow of David Valentine, N. Y. City (19:37; 30:527; 11:290). Estimated losses in cash, groceries, dry goods, furniture, and wearing apparel at £1,303 8s. Currency. Awarded £150 Sterling.

Skinner, Samuel Spencer, merchant and distiller, N. Y. (46:344; 11:282). Claimed loss of house and distillery, stock in trade, and income, valued in all at £3,998 12s. 3d. Sterling. Claim disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss."

Smith, Absolom, North Castle, Westchester Co. (18:375; 29:217; 11:284). Claimed loss of personal property valued at £162 Currency. Awarded £30 Sterling.

Smith, Elisha, North Castle, Westchester Co. (18:529; 29:231; 11:284). Claimed £14 Sterling for loss of two horses. Awarded £6 Sterling.



Smith, Job, Westchester Co. (45:339; 6:260; 8:214; 11:276). Claimed loss of house, 73 acres of land, and personal property, valued in all at £177 Sterling. Awarded £125 Sterling.

Smith, Joseph, Westchester Co. (17:295; 29:43; 11:284). Estimated losses in lands in Conn. and in Westchester Co. and in stock at £412 7s. 6d. Sterling. Awarded £336 Sterling.

Smythies, Margaret, granddaughter of Richard Nichols, N. Y. City (46:422; 5:480; 11:276). Claimed loss of 1/12 interest in property of Richard Nichols, destroyed by fire. Estimated losses in property and debts due her as her share of grandfather's estate of £503 6s. 8d. Sterling. Property claim alone amounted to £86 14s. 5d. Sterling. Awarded £60 Sterling.

Snedden, Stephen, Westchester Co. (18:163; 29:131; 11:284). Estimated losses in real estate, debts, and personal property taken by British and American troops at £785 5s. Sterling. Claim for real estate disallowed, "being sold to pay his debts." Awarded £75 Sterling.

Staples, Frances, Turtle Bay, Long Island (20:51; 29:421). Claimed loss of £146 5s. 4½d. Sterling in personal property, improvements on farm rented from the Corporation of New York, and debts. Disallowed.

Stewart, James (46:480; 4:520; 11:280). Claimed loss of houses destroyed by fire and rents, estimated at £2,920 Currency. Awarded £500 Sterling.

Stone, John, of Flushing, Long Island (44:511; 11:276). Estimated property losses at £2,450 Sterling. Awarded £200 Sterling.

Teed, John, Cortlandt Manor, Westchester Co. (18:443; 29:215; 11:298). Estimated losses in stock and furniture at £165 Currency. Claim for negro disallowed "for want of title." Awarded £44 Sterling.

Thompson, James, merchant, N. Y. City (41:523; 11:298). Wife was daughter of Jacob Walton. Her property was invested in securities in N. Y. and N. J. Claimed loss of £450 Sterling. Claim disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss."

Thompson, John, negro, of Long Island (46:476; 5:200; 11:298). Claimed loss of house and ten acres on east end of Long Island, another house, and furniture, valued in all at £516 Sterling. Claim disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss."

Thorne, Stephen, Queens Co. (17:275; 29:449; 11:300). Estimated loss in debts, personal estate, and 371 acres of land, houses, and improvements in Queens Co. at £3,827 2s. 8d. Sterling. Withdrew claim for real estate. Claim for sloop disallowed, "being lost while in the employment of the Rebels." Claim for half of another sloop also disallowed, having been "taken by the Rebels while employed in an advantageous trade." Claim for personal property also disallowed, "not appearing to be lost." Awarded £300 Sterling for sloop taken under the Prohibitory Act.

Tid, David, Cortlandt Manor, Westchester Co. (18:301; 29:179; 11:298). Claimed for losses of his father, a blacksmith, who died in 1780 within the British Lines. Estimated losses in personal property and debts at £472 10s. Currency. Awarded £46 Sterling.

Tilley, Samuel, Cortlandt Manor, Westchester Co. (19:135; 29:291; 11:298). Claimed loss of cash paid on a lease of farm in Cortlandt Manor and personal property. Estimated loss at £265 15s. 10½d. Sterling. Claim for improvements on 150 acre farm in Cortlandt Manor disallowed, the farm having been purchased "during the Troubles." Awarded £48 Sterling.

Titus, Isaac, of Bedford, Westchester Co. (19:47; 29:267; 11:298). Estimated losses in 50 acres of land in Bedford, houses, improvements, hatter's shop, personal effects, income, and expenses at £1,117 14s. Currency. Awarded £162 Sterling, of which £112 were for house, shop, and ten acres in Bedford. Had evidently purchased the other forty acres during the war.

Tolmie, Normand, ship chandler, N. Y. City (44:711; 5:426; 11:298). Estimated losses in houses, ground, and wharf in N. Y. City at £2,812 10s. Sterling. Claim disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss."

Travis, Jeremiah, Westchester Co. (20:297; 30:205; 11:302). Claim submitted by son, Caleb Travis. Estimated loss of property and debts at £1,876 12s. 2d. Sterling. Awarded £212 Sterling.

Travis, William, Westchester Co. (19:117; 29:433; 11:300). Claim submitted by widow, Elizabeth Travis. Claimed loss of £350 os. 11d. Sterling in property, and £154 3s. 5d. Sterling in debts. Awarded £243 Sterling, of which £183 were for 81 acres of land, with buildings and other improvements, in Cortlandt Manor.

Trenchard, Henry, Westchester Co. (18:411; 29:213; 11:298). Claimed loss of £268 9s. Currency in debts, blacksmith's tools, stock, and personal effects. Awarded £30 Sterling.

Tryon, William (43:115; 5:118; 11:296). Claimed £6,114 Sterling for loss of property. Awarded £990 Sterling.

Tweed, Leonard, shoemaker, N. Y. City (45:469; 4:206; 11:296). Claimed £342 Sterling for loss of personal property, income, and for expenses. Awarded £100 Sterling.

Underhill, Nathaniel, tenant, Philipse Manor, Westchester Co. (19:187; 29:293; 11:304). Schedule of losses included claim for two farms containing 204 acres, with improvements thereon, stock, and personal effects. Estimated losses at £962 10s. Currency. Withdrew claim for the two farms in Philipse Manor, "having sold the improvements." Awarded £99 Sterling for loss of personal property.

Underhill, William, tenant, Philipse Manor (20:11; 29:395; 11:304). Estimated losses in 200 acre farm in Philipse Manor, stock, and personal effects at £989 Sterling. Awarded £146 Sterling, of which £70 were for his improvements on the farm tenanted by him.

Van Dyne, Dow, Queens Co. (19:199; 29:297; 11:304). Claimed £1,671 10s. Sterling for loss of property. Awarded £900 Sterling for loss of estate in Newtown, Queens Co.

Van Maple, Mary, widow, N. Y. City (20:57; 29:423; 11:306). Claimed £90 2s. 10½d. Sterling for house and furniture destroyed in fire of 1776. Awarded £89 Sterling.

Van Schaack, Peter, attorney, N. Y. City (42:405; 2:126; 11:304). Waived claim for loss of property, "it not being confiscated." Claimed for loss of profession. According to the "Summary of the Proceedings of the Commissioners," Van Schaack claimed £170 Sterling for loss of property, which claim was disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss" (11:304).

Van Wart, Jacob, tenant, Cortlandt Manor, Westchester Co. (20:25; 29:407; 11:304). Estimated losses in farm and improvements in Cortlandt Manor and in personal property at £600 Sterling. Awarded £85 Sterling, of which £50 were for his improvements on the farm tenanted by him.

Vardill, John, Professor of Natural Law and Moral Philosophy in King's College and Assistant Preacher and Lecturer in the Episcopal Churches and Chapels in N. Y. City (42:37; 2:122; 11:304). Claimed for loss of income. Allowed £300 Sterling for loss of income and awarded a pension of £150 Sterling.

Waddell, William, merchant, N. Y. City (45:595; 6:340; 11:310). Estimated losses in rents, bonds, and personal property at £3,853 2s. 5d. Sterling. Awarded £550 Sterling on claim for loss of property.

Wade, Samuel, blacksmith, Staten Island (45:627; 7:30; 11:316). Claimed £112 15s. 11d. Sterling for debts, services, and personal effects. Claim disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss."

Walker, Thomas, cooper, N. Y. City (20:75; 6:38; 29:445; 11:320). Claimed £850 Currency for lot and for house and personal property destroyed by fire of 1776. Claim for lot disallowed, "being mortgaged to the value." Awarded £150 Sterling.

Wallace, Alexander (42:89; 6:6, 660; 11:310). Claimed £3,104 Sterling for loss of property. Awarded £1,016 Sterling.

Wallace, Hugh (42:351; 11:310). Estimated losses in lands, houses, bonds, debts, and plate at £30,388 12s. 7d. Sterling. Claimed £15,955 12s. for loss of property. Awarded £4,004 Sterling.

Wallace, Hugh and Alexander (44:633; 11:316). Claimed loss of £2,367 16s. 8d. Sterling in various articles (intended for the supply of British troops and other subjects in N. Y., but seized by an American privateer and afterwards retaken by British and condemned as lawful prize). Claim disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss."

Walsh, Patrick, vendue master, N. Y. City (45:425; 6:674; 11:310). Claimed loss of £583 6s. 8d. Sterling in personal property. Awarded £350 Sterling.

Walton, Henry, Anne, and Elizabeth, infant children of Jacob Walton, N. Y. City, decd. (45:461; 11:116). Memorial submitted by their guardians, John Harris Cruger and Peter Van Schaack. Claimed £1,702 9s. 6d. Sterling for loss of property destroyed by the British. Claim disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss."

Ward, Edmund, Westchester Co. (18:93; 29:113; 11:320). Estimated losses in lands, houses, debts, and moveable goods seized by American and British troops at £2,858 18s. 1½d. Sterling. Awarded £1,235 Sterling.

Watkeys, Henry, gunsmith, N. Y. City (18:45; 29:101; 11:326). Claimed for loss of lot and premises which he purchased from James DeLancey and which was subsequently forfeited to the State. Claimed for expenses of suit commenced against James DeLancey in His Majesty's Court of King's Bench for not warranting his title to the said lot and premises. Also claimed for loss of income from his trade. Total estimate of losses was £804 14s. 8d. Sterling. Awarded £171 Sterling.

Watts, John (46:432; 11:310). Claimed £4,337 Sterling for loss of property. Awarded £3,814 Sterling.

Weatherhead, John (44:119; 5:266; 11:312). Claimed £30,331 Sterling for loss of property. Awarded £3,821 Sterling.

White, Henry (45:143; 11:312). Claimed £6,777 Sterling for loss of property. His executors were awarded £2,577 Sterling.

White, Thomas (17:547; 29:87; 11:326). Claimed £9,209 Sterling for loss of property, and £11,334 os. 3d. Sterling for debts due him. Memorial submitted by Alexander Wallace, executor to estate of Thomas White, in behalf of latter's widow and children. Awarded £2,679 Sterling.

Whitecuff, Benjamin, negro, Kings Co. (41:223; 5:172; 11:316). Claim for 60 acres on Long Island, cart, and yoke of oxen, valued in all at £131 Sterling, disallowed "for want of satisfactory proof of loss."

Whitney, Nathan, Cortlandt Manor, Westchester Co. (18:119; 29:117; 11:320). Estimated property losses at £2,843 Sterling, and debts due him, £1,060 Sterling. Awarded £850 Sterling.

Wickham, Parker, Suffolk Co. (46:609; 8:406; 11:314). Estimated property losses at £3,206 5s. Sterling. Claim submitted by heir at law, Joseph Parker Wickham. Awarded £2,800 Sterling.

Wilkins, Isaac, Westchester Co. (17:43; 29:9; 11:320). Claimed £1,900 Sterling for loss of property. Awarded £500 Sterling for loss of personal estate.

Williams, Frederick, Westchester Co. (18:235; 29:255; 11:320). Claimed £654 Sterling for loss of property. Awarded £280 Sterling, of which £130 were for negroes (man, woman, and four boys) taken by the Americans, and the remainder for various articles of personal property.

Williams, Isaac, Westchester Co. (18:69; 29:109; 11:320). Claimed £1,306 7s. 6d. Sterling for loss of property. Awarded £480 Sterling for loss of 120 acre farm with improvements thereon in Westchester Co.

Wilson, John, Westchester Co. (18:439; 29:211; 11:320). Claimed £62 13s. 3d. Sterling for loss of personal property. Awarded £8 Sterling.

Wood, Samuel, cooper, North Castle, Westchester Co. (18:481; 29:177; 11:320). Claimed loss of 100 acre farm, house, improvements, and stock, valued in all at £250 Currency. Awarded £128 Sterling, of which £100 were for the farm, house, and improvements in North Castle.

Yerxa, John, Cortlandt Manor, Westchester Co. (19:587; 29:393). Claimed £52 14s. Currency for expenses, damages, and loss of personal property. Claim disallowed, "being very trifling."

Young, Israel, Queens Co. (17:191; 31:535). Claimed loss of 500 acre farm in Queens and Suffolk Counties with improvements thereon, valued at £1,293 15s. Sterling. Claim disallowed, "being for a real estate which is still in possession of his family."

Yurex, Isaac, North Castle, Westchester Co. (22:669; 30:553; 11:328). Estimated losses in land and improvements, stock, and personal effects at £145 Currency. Awarded £66 Sterling, of which £44 were for some 23 acres of land in North Castle.



## BIBLIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

This monograph is written almost entirely from the sources. So useless have been the secondary authorities for the purpose of this study that the author has not deemed it necessary to list them here. Where the author has found secondary authorities of any value, due acknowledgment is made in the documentation. Of the manuscript and printed sources consulted, only those pertaining to the Southern District and of particular value in the preparation of this monograph are cited here.

### MANUSCRIPT SOURCES

#### IN THE STATE LIBRARY, ALBANY

*Manuscripts of the Colony and State of New York in the Revolutionary War*, vols. 41, 45 (2 boxes), and 46 (2 boxes).

These *Rev. MSS.* are part of the original 52 volumes of documents which were transferred from the Office of the State Comptroller to the State Library in 1910. Many of these papers were destroyed in the Capitol fire the following year. Of the volumes dealing with the work of the Commissioners of Sequestration, only one (vol. 41) now remains. Volumes 45 and 46, entitled "Commissioners of Forfeitures, Southern District," contain much valuable information on every phase of this study.

#### *Assembly Papers, Volumes 25-28, Forfeited Estates*

These papers consist largely of petitions requesting the interposition of the Legislature in liquidating the manifold problems resulting from the disposal of the loyalist estates. The Capitol fire of 1911 destroyed many of these records. Those which are available have proven of inestimable value.

*New York State Treasurer's Accounts, 1775-1797, 2 boxes.*

*New York State Treasurer's Journal, 1775-1784, 2 vols.*

*New York State Treasurer's Day Book, 1784-1798.*

These *Accounts, Journal, and Day Book* of the State Treasurer contain records of the monies received from the sale of the loyalist estates and of payments in the liquidation of all claims against and in behalf of these estates.

#### IN THE DIVISION OF ENGINEERING OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS (FORMERLY THE OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR), ALBANY

#### *Land Papers, 29 vols.*

These papers contain many valuable records of deeds, applications for lands, appraisals, and other matters dealing with the disposal of the confiscated estates, particularly after 1788, when the sale of these estates was entrusted to the Surveyor-General. The records for the Southern District are in vols. 7-10 and 15. There is an excellent card index to these manuscripts.

IN THE DIVISION OF THE LAND OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, ALBANY  
*Deed Books*

Purchasers of forfeited estates often recorded their deeds in the Office of the Secretary of State. Consequently, these *Deed Books* contain many records of conveyances executed by the Commissioners of Forfeitures, which records are not available in the office of the register or clerk of the county where the lands were located.

*Original Releases to the State.**State Releases.*

These volumes contain, among other things, records of releases of property to the State in all cases where the State's title had proven faulty. They also contain records of releases of claims of dower to property forfeited to the State. Besides these records of releases, there are records of the conveyance of the properties in question and other data of value.

## IN THE OFFICE OF THE STATE COMPTROLLER, ALBANY

*Ledger A, Auditor's Office, June, 1775 to September, 1793.*

This ledger contains records of monies received from the Commissioners of Sequestration, the Commissioners of Forfeitures, and the Surveyor-General.

*Ledger B, Comptroller's Office, 1797-1805.*

This ledger contains, among other things, records of payments of dower rights to loyalists' widows, payments to persons claiming title to lands forfeited to the State, payments to the Overseers of the Poor for the maintenance of superannuated negroes, formerly the property of proscribed loyalists, and records of money paid in by the Surveyor-General for sales of forfeited lands.

*Day Books.*

The first of these is "*Day Book No. 2, Aug. 13, 1801 to Jan. 8, 1803.*" These volumes also contain records of the liquidation of claims, payment for the support of negroes of forfeited estates, and sales of forfeited lands by the Surveyor-General.

## IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER, NEW YORK COUNTY (HALL OF RECORDS)

*Forfeited Estates.*

This ledger contains a record of the abstracts of the sales of the Commissioners of Forfeitures in New York County. Each abstract cites the name of the purchaser, the price paid, the date of sale, the loyalist owner, and the size and boundaries of the property purchased.

*Libers of Conveyances*

These volumes contain records of the deeds executed by the Commissioners of Forfeitures and by the purchasers themselves. In these libers are to be found a number of records of sales of forfeited estates, abstracts of which, evidently through careless book-keeping, were not included in the ledger entitled *Forfeited Estates*. These records, and those for every county where

confiscated Tory lands were located, are invaluable for the study of the disposal and subsequent history of the loyalist estates. In New York County, an excellent *Grantee-Grantor Index* facilitates greatly the use of these records; and the *Block Index of Reindexed Conveyances* provides an excellent guide to the study of the histories of individual blocks and lots.

*Libers of Mortgages.*

IN THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF RECORDS, NEW YORK COUNTY  
(HALL OF RECORDS)

*Minute Books of the Supreme Court of Judicature of the State of New York*

These books contain the minutes of the Supreme Court of Judicature from 1704 to 1847, with certain gaps. The volume covering the period from July 31, 1781 to November 1, 1783 contains many records of indictments against loyalists under the act of attainder of October 22, 1779. The volumes for the subsequent years contain many references to litigation involving loyalist estates. These books contain both rough and engrossed minutes.

*Parchment Rolls.*

These parchments consist of miscellaneous legal papers, bail pieces, bonds, and records of pleadings. They contain many records of litigation involving loyalist estates. Unfortunately, it is not always possible to reconstruct the details of a case from these parchments, which are often too fragmentary to be of any value. Moreover, these parchments are indexed according to the names of plaintiffs only, which further complicates their use. Nevertheless, these records are important to this study.

IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER, KINGS COUNTY

*Copy of Abstracts of Sales of Forfeited Estates in Kings County, Filed in the Clerk's Office of said County by Isaac Stoutenburgh and Philip Van Cortlandt, Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Southern District, in Deeds (Kings Co.), Lib. 6, pp. 344A-344F.*

These abstracts were filed June 26, 1785 and were copied by Jacob Sharpe junior, Clerk of Kings County.

*Libers of Conveyances.*

*Libers of Mortgages.*

IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER, QUEENS COUNTY (JAMAICA)

*Libers of Conveyances.*

*Libers of Mortgages.*

IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK, SUFFOLK COUNTY (RIVERHEAD, LONG ISLAND)  
*Conveyances in Forfeiture, 1784*

This volume contains an "Abstract of certain Lands Tenements and Hereditaments situate in the County of Suffolk in the State of New York, Forfeited to the people of this State and sold by Isaac Stoutenburgh and

Philip Van Cortlandt, Esquires, Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Southern District of the said State."

*Libers of Conveyances.*

*Libers of Mortgages.*

IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK, RICHMOND COUNTY (ST. GEORGE, STATEN ISLAND)

*Record at the Request of Isaac Stoutenburgh and Philip Van Cortlandt, Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Southern District, the following Instruments of writing this twenty fifth day of May, One thousand seven hundred and Eighty Nine, in Deeds (Richmond Co.), Lib. E, pp. 146-47.*

These "Instruments of writing" are the Commissioners' abstracts of their sales of the estates of Christopher Billopp and Benjamin Seaman in Richmond County, copied by Joseph Egbert, Clerk of that county.

*Libers of Conveyances.*

*Libers of Mortgages.*

IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER, WESTCHESTER COUNTY (WHITE PLAINS)

*Abstracts of Sales, Commissioners of Forfeitures, Westchester County.*

This ledger contains a record of the sales executed by the Commissioners of Forfeitures in Westchester County, giving in each case a description of the property sold, the name of the purchaser, the loyalist owner, the date of sale, and the price paid.

*Libers of Conveyances.*

*Libers of Mortgages.*

IN THE NEW YORK PUBLIC LIBRARY

*American Loyalists—Transcript of the Manuscript Books and Papers of the Commission of Enquiry into the Losses and Services of the American Loyalists held under Acts of Parliament of 23, 25, 26, 28, and 29 of George III preserved amongst the Audit Office Records in the Public Record Office of England, 1783-1790, 60 vols.*

These *Loyalist Transcripts* contain records of examinations of and determinations on claims of losses sustained by the loyalists during the Revolution. The memorials and schedules of losses of New York claimants are covered in vols. 17-24, 41-46. Vols. 29-31 contain records of the determinations on the claims of New York loyalists examined in Nova Scotia. Vol. 11 contains a "Summary of the Proceedings of the Commissioners, being their Several Reports and Statements, with the Names of Claimants, Amount of Claims, and Particulars of Liquidation." In addition, there are volumes containing records of examinations and decisions on claims for temporary support, minutes of the proceedings of the Commissioners in London and Nova Scotia, and information conveyed to the Commissioners "to prevent imposition and fraud." The volumes containing the loyalists' memorials and schedules of losses are particularly valuable, for they provide

a rich mine of biographical material and often itemize the loyalists' assets and their estimated values. Only occasionally, however, do these records shed light on the actual disposal of the loyalist estates.

*American Loyalists—Calendar of the Original Memorials, Vouchers and other Papers deposited with the Commission of Enquiry into the Losses and Services of the American Loyalists held under Acts of Parliament of 23, 25, 26, 28 and 29 of George III preserved amongst the Audit Office Records in the Public Record Office of England, 1783-1790, 6 vols.*

These volumes call attention to the memorials, schedules of property, affidavits, vouchers, certificates of loyalty, and other papers bearing on the loyalists in the Public Record Office of England, some of which were not transcribed for the New York Public Library.

*American Loyalists—Transcript of Various Papers relating to the Losses, Services and Support of the American Loyalists and to His Majesty's Provincial Forces during the War of American Independence, preserved amongst the American Manuscripts in the Royal Institution of Great Britain, London, 1777-1783, 8 vols.*

*Daniel Parker Coke's Notes on the Claims of the American Loyalists, 7 vols.*

These volumes contain the first hand notes of the evidence given before the Commission of Enquiry into the Losses and Services of the American Loyalists during the time that Daniel Parker Coke remained a Commissioner. As much as could be brought within the limits of a single volume was edited by Professor Hugh Egerton and presented to the members of the Roxburghe Club in 1915 under the title *The Royal Commission on the Losses and Services of American Loyalists 1783 to 1785: Being the Notes of Mr. Daniel Parker Coke, M.P., one of the Commissioners during that Period* (Oxford, 1915). Those sections in the manuscript notes which deal with the property of the claimants are bracketed in pencil and were not included in Professor Egerton's volume.

*Miscellaneous Loyalist Papers, 1 box.*

These papers contain, among other things, a letter from David Colden to his wife, which throws light on the experiences of prominent loyalists in London and the difficulties they had in securing pensions and compensation from the British government. The original letter is in the possession of the Minnesota Historical Society. The New York Public Library possesses the photostat copy (see *Miscellaneous Papers, David Colden*). This box of loyalist papers also contains Henry Swartwout's deposition before the grand jury of Albany County, testifying that he had seen certain named persons of Kings County who "were severally adherent to the King of Great Britain . . . then at open war with the State of New York and the other United States of America."

*New York—Westchester County, Court of Oyer and Terminer. Depositions and indictments against various residents pursuant to laws of New York*



*pertaining to the forfeiture of estates by persons who have adhered to the enemies of the State, in New York State Counties and Towns, Misc. Ms Materials.*

*New York State—Loyalists. List of Loyalists against whom Judgments were given under the Confiscation Act, 1783. Emmett—New York Colony and State.*

This is an interesting and valuable record of loyalists who were convicted under the act of October 22, 1779. It cites in each case the name of the loyalist, the township or county from which he came, his occupation, the date when the indictment was found, and the date when judgment was signed.

*New York (State)—Commissioners of Forfeitures. Exemplification of the laws of New York relating to the powers of the Commissioners of Forfeitures respecting the sale or transfer of confiscated estates during the American Revolution. Issued under the great seal of the State, signed by Governor George Clinton, May 21, 1787. Attested by Robert Harpur, Deputy Secretary of State.*

*DeLancey Estate—Map of the DeLancey Estate, adjoining the Bowery in New York City, with a partial list of papers relating to the claim of James DeLancey for reimbursement by the British Government. Transcripts, in New York City, Misc. Ms Materials.*

The papers accompanying this map contain a list of the blocks comprising the estate and their estimated value. In the Office of the Register of New York County, there is a valuable "Map of the East and West DeLancey Farms," drawn by J. B. Holmes, Civil Engineer and City Surveyor, Sept., 1867, which shows the specific lots into which the West Farm was divided and the names of the purchasers of the unplotted blocks comprising the East Farm.

#### *Bancker Papers.*

These papers contain the maps, plans, and memoranda of surveys of Evert Bancker junior, surveyor. There are seven boxes of plans and miscellaneous papers, a number of which deal with forfeited estates. An *Index to Bancker Surveys*, compiled by Louis Cohen under the direction of J. V. Lang as part of a project under the President of the Borough of Manhattan, Bureau of Engineering, Division of Street Survey, New York City, facilitates the use of these plans. There are also four volumes of *Note Books* (1780-1815), containing records of lands surveyed, mostly in New York City, giving the names of owners, location, dates, fees charged, etc. These volumes are negative photostat copies of the original manuscripts in the New York Historical Society Library.

*Lamb Papers—Papers of Colonel John Lamb, an officer in the American Revolution and Collector of the Port of New York, his son, General Anthony Lamb, and grandsons, John and Anthony Lamb, from 1787 to 1855, 3 boxes.*

They consist mainly of New York land papers, showing the interests of Colonel Lamb and his son in various counties of the State, with numerous surveys and location maps of the properties. There are several deeds from the Commissioners of Forfeitures and a number of important papers bearing on the study of the subsequent history of the DeLancey estate.

*Van Cortlandt-Van Wyck Papers, Miscellaneous Land Papers*, 3 boxes.

These papers contain several deeds from the Commissioners of Forfeitures, records of transactions in loyalist property, and a broadside entitled "To the Electors of the County of Westchester," accusing General Philip Van Cortlandt of being "more attentive to his *private interest* than to his *public duties*" as one of the Commissioners of Forfeitures for the Southern District of the State.

*Bayard-Campbell-Pearsall Papers*.

These papers contain valuable material on the real estate ventures of this prominent mercantile firm. There are four boxes of *Bayard Correspondence, 1751-1832*, which contain many letters and papers relating to the efforts to recover the property forfeited by William Bayard and informative on the subject of the intercourse between the loyalists abroad and their relatives in the United States. There are five boxes of *New York City Land Papers* and four boxes of *Land Papers (New York Counties)*, which contain information pertinent to this study.

*New York State Counties and Towns—Miscellaneous Manuscript Materials*.

These papers contain a number of records of transactions in real estate forfeited by loyalists. There is also a "Fragment of the Proceedings of the Old Committee of Safety of the Town of Brookhaven, Manor of St. George and Patentship of Moriches. With Autograph of William Floyd, the Signer of the Declaration of Independence 1775."

*New York City—Miscellaneous Manuscript Materials*.

*New York City Lands—Miscellaneous Manuscript Materials*.

#### IN THE NEW YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY LIBRARY

*New York Commissioners of Forfeitures—Southern District—Abstract of Sales, N. Y. C. and Vicinity, 1784-1787*.

A comparison of this ledger with the one in the Office of the Register of New York County reveals numerous discrepancies as to the number of sales executed, the persons to whom the properties were conveyed, the extent to which individuals purchased property, and the dates of sale. The Ms ledger in the New York Historical Society Library appears to be merely a cash account, showing the result of the audit of the money received by the Commissioners of Forfeitures. The abstracts of the Commissioners' sales recorded in the office of the Register or Clerk of the counties where forfeited estates were located show the actual closing or completion of the transactions. In practically every case where purchasers recorded their deeds, the

data in these recorded instruments—the dates of sale, the names of purchasers, the price paid, and the quantity and description of the property purchased—correspond with the material to be found in the abstracts on record in the offices of the Register or Clerk of the counties comprising the Southern District and are often at great variance with the data cited in the Ms ledger in the New York Historical Society Library. The latter, therefore, is not to be regarded as a reliable guide to the actual disposal of the loyalist estates. The first part of this ledger, however, contains an interesting and valuable record of locations made upon forfeited estates (pp. 1-16), which affords clues as to the disposal of a number of properties about which there is little information in the records bearing on this subject.

*Bancker Papers.*

These include four survey books, dated March, 1780-June, 1815, containing descriptions of Evert Bancker's surveys of land, giving the names of persons for whom surveys were made, location, dates, fees charged, etc. The New York Public Library has the negative photostat copies of these survey books.

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